



# Azimuthal-angle dependence of pion femtoscopy relative to the first-order event plane in $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 200$ GeV Au+Au and Cu+Au collisions at STAR

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# **STAR HBT intensity interferometry**

- HBT can scope the source size at kinetic freeze-out
  - ✓ Measure quantum interference between two identical particles



- Make correlation function as a function of relative momentum (q)
- One can extract the source radius by fitting with theoretical formula



• Bertsch-Pratt Parameterization (S. Pratt, Phys. Rev. D 33, (1986) 72, G. Bertsch et al., Phys. Rev. C 37, (1988) 1896)



- 3-dimensional radii use
- ✓ R<sub>long</sub> : Source size parallel to the beam direction
- $\checkmark R_{out}$  : Source size parallel to the pair transverse momentum (k\_T) + emission duration
- $\checkmark R_{side}$  : Source size perpendicular to  $R_{out}$  and  $R_{long}$

#### ✓ Fit function:

 $C(\vec{q}) = N[(1-\lambda) + \lambda K(\vec{q})(1+G(\vec{q}))]$ 

$$G(\vec{q}) = \exp(-R_{out}^2 q_{out}^2 - R_{side}^2 q_{side}^2 - R_{long}^2 q_{long}^2)$$

N : Normalization , K(q) : Coulomb correction,  $\lambda$ : Correlation strength  $\checkmark$  Pair relative momentum  $\vec{q}$  is decomposed into three projection

{qout, qside and qlong}

✓ Extract radii from fit of correlation function



- Final eccentricity can be measured by HBT radii w.r.t.  $\Psi_2$
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### **STAR Final eccentricity via HBT**

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 Final eccentricity decreases (more round shape) with increasing collision energy due to longer lifetime and stronger pressure gradients

#### Momentum space anisotropy





The direction of flow for spectator neutrons (measured in ZDC).

 Directed flow is generated by the interaction between spectator and participant particles

 $\checkmark$  Quantified by the 1st harmonic in the Fourier expansion as  $v_1$ 

$$v_1 = \left\langle \cos(\phi - \Psi_1) \right\rangle$$

v<sub>1</sub>(η) is crossing zero 3 times at around midrapidity, forward and backward rapidities
 -> "wiggle structure"

#### ✓ Possible signature of phase transition

J. Brachmann et al. Phys. Rev. C 61 (2000) 024909

✓ Hydrodynamic models cannot explain only v<sub>1</sub> (unlike to v<sub>2</sub> or v<sub>3</sub>)





- v<sub>1</sub> signal can be generated from assuming the "tilted" source initial conditions
- HBT measurement w.r.t. Ψ<sub>1</sub> can scope source tilt at freeze-out by including cross terms in the fit function
- ✓ Fit function with cross terms:

$$\begin{split} C(\vec{q}) &= N[(1-\lambda) + \lambda K(\vec{q})(1+G(\vec{q}))] \\ G(\vec{q}) &= \exp(-R_{out}^2 q_{out}^2 - R_{side}^2 q_{side}^2 - R_{long}^2 q_{long}^2 - 2R_{os}^2 q_{out} q_{side} - 2R_{ol}^2 q_{out} q_{long} - 2R_{sl}^2 q_{side} q_{long}) \end{split}$$

- Important parameters: Rol, Rsl
- If final source is tilted,  $R_{ol}$  and  $R_{sl}$  cross terms will have oscillation w.r.t.  $\Psi_1$



• 3D

:Out - Long plane

Projection Out - Long plane



•  $R^{2}_{sl}$  has its + $\pi/2$  oscillation

• The magnitude of oscillation corresponds to the tilt angle











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- Tilt angle is inversely proportional to the beam energy
- At RHIC energy (200 GeV), source tilt value is expected to be nearly 0 or signal is very small
  - $\checkmark$  Perform HBT measurement w.r.t  $\Psi_1$  and scope tilt signal
    - using both Au+Au and Cu+Au in 200 GeV
  - ✓ Cu+Au have initial density asymmetry...
    - -> How does it affect HBT measurement?

### **STAR The STAR detector**



#### **Time Projection Chamber (TPC)**

• Main tracking detector,  $|\eta| < 1.0$  , full azimuth

#### Zero Degree Calorimeter (ZDC)

- |η| > 6.3
- Measure spectator neutron
- Event plane reconstruction using spectator neutrons

### **Beam-Beam Counters (BBC)**

- 3.3 < |η| < 5</li>
- Event plane reconstruction using participants

TOF & TPC detector ✓ Use PID (particle identification) TPC (dE/dx) STAR Preliminary



**TOF (time of flight)** 





- Au+Au 200 GeV, Cu+Au 200 GeV
- Number of events: Au+Au ~ 430 M Cu+Au ~ 45 M
- Correlation function

  - $C(q) = \frac{N(q)}{D(q)}$  N: pair distribution from the same event (real) D: different event pair distribution from the different events (mixed)

1.1

0.9

0.85

- Estimate Coulomb interaction correction factor K(q) : Coulomb correction factor
- Fit correlation function and extract radii parameters

 $C(\vec{q}) = N[(1-\lambda) + \lambda K(q)(1+G(\vec{q}))]$ 

✓ Azimuthally-integrated analysis  $G(\vec{q}) = \exp(-R_{out}^2 q_{out}^2 - R_{side}^2 q_{side}^2 - R_{long}^2 q_{long}^2)$ 

✓ Azimuthal-angle-dependent HBT analysis  $G(\vec{q}) = \exp(-R_{out}^2 q_{out}^2 - R_{side}^2 q_{side}^2 - R_{long}^2 q_{long}^2 - 2R_{os}^2 q_{out} q_{side} - 2R_{ol}^2 q_{out} q_{long} - 2R_{sl}^2 q_{side} q_{side} - 2R_{sl}^2 q_{sid$ 

 Event plane reconstruction ✓ ZDC east + west plane used  $\text{Res}\Psi_1 \sim 0.35 (\text{Au+Au})$  $\text{Res}\Psi_1 \sim 0.20 \text{ (Cu+Au)}$ 



0.8<u>---</u>0.2

0.5

0.4

0.3

0.2

0.1

0

Res{W<sub>1</sub>}

-0.1

Cu+Au 200 GeV ZDC east+west Au+Au 200 GeV ZDC east+west

10 20 30 40 50 60 70 80 90100

Centrality (%)

0.1 0.2 q<sub>long</sub> (GeV/c)

0.2

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- N<sub>part</sub><sup>1/3</sup> corresponds to the source radius at the collision time
- Checked HBT radii  $\propto N_{part}^{1/3}$

# **STAR HBT radii w.r.t. Ψ<sub>1</sub> in Au+Au**



- $R_{out}$ ,  $R_{side}$  and  $R_{os}$  have a 2nd-order oscillation due to the elliptic source shape with respect to  $\Psi_1$
- Small (but ≠ 0) 1st-order oscillation can be found in R<sub>ol</sub> and R<sub>sl</sub> due to the source tilt signal
- These results indicate that the source shape at freeze-out is tilted even at the top RHIC energy

• Note that  $\varphi - \Psi_1 = 0$  point is replotted at  $\varphi - \Psi_1 = 2\pi$ 

# **STAR HBT radii w.r.t. Ψ<sub>1</sub> in Cu+Au**



- In R<sub>ol</sub>, average magnitude is shifted from 0 because center-of-mass rapidity is not 0 (shift to Au-going side ( $\eta < 0$ ))
- Oscillation sign is similar trend with Au+Au
- Oscillation is distorted -> simply due to the poor EP resolution? or density asymmetry affects and distorts oscillation ?
  - -> More statistics may reveal where this trend comes from

### **STAR Event plane resolution correction** 15





## **STAR Final eccentricity w.r.t.** $\Psi_1(ZDC)$ vs $\Psi_2(TPC)$ 16



- (v<sub>2</sub>{2} ≈ v<sub>2</sub>{ZDC}) at low p<sub>T</sub>
- Final eccentricity is smaller than initial eccentricity, but still remain out-of-plane extended (ε<sub>final</sub> > 0)
- Final eccentricity shows a rough agreement between the participant  $\Psi_2$  and the spectator  $\Psi_1$  planes

PHENIX Collaboration, Phys. Rev. C 80 (2009) 024909

p<sub>+</sub> (GeV/c)

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### **STAR Centrality dependence of tilt angle in Au+Au** 17



- $\theta_s$  purely corresponds to geometrical tilt (only side and long info. used )
- $\theta_o$  is that  $R_{ol,1}$  is used instead of  $R_{sl,1}$
- Centrality dependence is very weak or absent
- Tilt angle shows similar trend to that of centrality dependence of  $v_1$  slope

# **STAR η dependence of tilt angle in Au+Au** 18



 EP resolution correction is not applied

- The average Rol value shifts when going away from center-of-mass rapidity
- The oscillation amplitude does not have significant dependence on  $\boldsymbol{\eta}$
- Same tilt angle can been seen in all  $\eta$  region
- These results are consistent with the linear dv<sub>1</sub>/dy slope at midrapidity

# **STAR K<sub>T</sub> dependence of HBT radii**

The 1st-order oscillations



- The 1st-order oscillation magnitude  $R_{sl,1} R_{ol,1}$  seems to decrease with increasing  $k_T$  -> The same trend as the centrality dependence
- The 2nd-order oscillations  $R_{o,2}/R_{s,0}$ ,  $R_{s,2}/R_{s,0}$ ,  $R_{os,2}/R_{s,0}$  have weak  $k_T$  dependence compared to the centrality dependence
  - It means final eccentricity (ε<sub>final</sub>) shows very weak dependence on k<sub>T</sub> (in the measured k<sub>T</sub> range)

### **STAR K<sub>T</sub> dependence of tilt angle in Au+Au** 20



- Unlike centrality dependence, tilt angle seems to increase with k<sub>T</sub>
- As the k<sub>T</sub> increases, HBT radii decrease because of collective radial flow
  -> (R<sup>2</sup><sub>I,0</sub> R<sup>2</sup><sub>s,0</sub> + 2R<sup>2</sup><sub>s,2</sub>) decreases faster than R<sub>sl,1</sub>, contributing to an increase in the θ<sub>s</sub>



- Azimuthal-angle dependence of HBT radii w.r.t.  $\Psi_1$ 
  - ✓ The 1st-order oscillations of R₀I and RsI have been measured in both Au+Au and Cu+Au collisions at 200 GeV
  - Final eccentricity (Au+Au 200 GeV)
    - ✓ Final eccentricity w.r.t.  $\Psi_1^{ZDC}$  is consistent with that measured by  $\Psi_2^{TPC}$
    - ✓ Final eccentricity shows a centrality dependence and weakly depends on k<sub>T</sub>
  - Tilt angle (Au+Au 200 GeV)
    - ✓ Centrality dependence of tilt angle is very weak or absent and tilt angle seems to increase with increasing k<sub>T</sub>
    - ✓ Tilt angle seems to be η-independent within the TPC acceptance ( $|\eta| < 1$ )

#### Outlook

- Estimate systematic uncertainties
- Examine beam-energy dependence in BES-II with high statistics and good event plane resolution due to the installation of Event Plane Detector (EPD)





#### Au+Au 200 GeV Run11 minimum bias

- Events ~ 430 M
  Event selection
- |v<sub>z</sub>| < 25 cm
- |v<sub>r</sub>| < 2 cm
- |v<sub>z</sub> v<sub>z</sub><sup>vpd</sup>| < 3 cm</li>
  Track selection
- 0.15 < p<sub>T</sub> < 0.8 GeV/c
- |η| < 1
- nHitsFit >= 15
- nHitsFit/nHitsPoss >= 0.52
- DCA < 3 cm</li>
  PID
- Tof Matched track
  - for 0.15 m^2 \pi \pm 2\sigma,  $|n\sigma_{\pi}| < 3$
  - for 0.3  $m^2_{\pi} \pm 2\sigma$ , veto  $m^2_k \pm 2\sigma$ ,  $|n\sigma_{\pi}| < 3$
- TPC only
  - for 0.15 |nσ<sub>π</sub>| < 2</li>
  - for 0.5 |nσ<sub>π</sub>| < 2, |nσ<sub>k</sub>| > 2

### Cu+Au 200 GeV

### Run12 minimum bias

• Events: ~ 45 M

#### **Event Selection**

- |v<sub>z</sub>| < 30 cm
- |v<sub>r</sub>| < 2 cm
- |v<sub>z</sub> v<sub>z</sub><sup>vpd</sup>| < 3 cm</li>
  Track selection
- 0.15 < Pt < 0.8 GeV/c
- |η| < 1</li>
- nHitsFit >= 15
- nHitsdEdx >= 10
- nHitsFit/nHitsPoss >= 0.52
- DCA < 3 cm

### PID

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  - for 0.15 
    m<sup>2</sup>π ± 2σ, |nσπ| < 3</li>
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  - for 0.5 |nσ<sub>π</sub>| < 2, |nσ<sub>k</sub>| > 2



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- ✓ Cu+Au has asymmetric density gradient and it causes "dipole flow".
  -> It bump up directed flow signals. (Fig. (b))
- In addition, Cu+Au collisions have a different number of participants between forward and backward directions.
  - -> It shifts directed flow to the center-of-mass rapidity (Fig.(c))

### STAR HBT radii in Au+Au consistency check 25



✓ Average radii are consistent within systematic uncertainties

Coulomb	4%	3%	4%	0.004
Fit Range	5%	5%	5%	0.002
FMH	7%	3%	3%	0.003
Total	9.5%	6.5%	7%	0.005

Source

 $R_{\text{out}}$   $R_{\text{side}}$   $R_{\text{long}}$   $\varepsilon_F$ 

Systematic errors of average radii in STAR Collaboration, Phys. Rev. C 92 (2015) 014904



• Au+Au 200 GeV



There is a choice for EP resolution correction

- $<\cos(\Psi_1-\Psi_{RP})>$  2 subevent or 3 subevent method
- $<\cos 2(\Psi_1 \Psi_{RP}) > 2$  subevent or 3 subevent method



S<sub>11</sub>: source variance in x direction S<sub>33</sub>: source variance in z direction S<sub>13</sub>: x-z covariance

S' =  $R_y^{\dagger}(\theta_s) \cdot S \cdot R_y(\theta_s)$ S<sub>µv</sub>: Spatial correlation tensor  $R_y(\theta_s)$ : Rotation matrix

$$\theta_s = \frac{1}{2} \tan^{-1} \left( \frac{2S_{13}}{S_{33} - S_{11}} \right)$$



Rotating the spatial correlation tensor Sµv by  $\theta$ s yields a purely diagonal tensor S'

$$\begin{aligned} R_{out}^{2}(\phi) &= \frac{1}{2}(S_{11} + S_{22}) - \frac{1}{2}(S_{22} - S_{11})\cos(2\phi) + \beta_{\mathrm{T}}^{2}S_{00} & R_{os}^{2}(\phi) = \frac{1}{2}(S_{22} - S_{11})\sin(2\phi) \\ R_{side}^{2}(\phi) &= \frac{1}{2}(S_{11} + S_{22}) + \frac{1}{2}(S_{22} - S_{11})\cos(2\phi) & R_{ol}^{2}(\phi) = S_{13}\cos(\phi) \\ R_{long}^{2}(\phi) &= S_{33} + \beta_{l}^{2}S_{00} & R_{sl}^{2}(\phi) = -S_{13}\sin(\phi) \end{aligned}$$

Express in out-side-long coordinate

$$\theta_s = \frac{1}{2} \tan^{-1} \left( \frac{-4R_{sl,1}^2}{R_{l,0}^2 - R_{s,0}^2 + 2R_{s,2}^2} \right)$$

Tilt angle definitions are referenced from M. A. Lisa et al., Phys. Lett. B489, (2000) 287-292