Flow in small systems from parton scatterings

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Long-range correlations in p+p, p+Pb, and Pb+Pb



•Are the 'ridges' due to the same origin in p+p, p+Pb and Pb+Pb?

A multiphase transport (AMPT) model



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p+p and p+Pb in the AMPT model



•One hot spot in p+p vs Several hot spots in p+Pb.

 \bullet 'Centrality' defined by using N_{track} distributions as the CMS.

AMPT results on long-range correlations in p+Pb



No long-range correlation in low-multiplicity p+Pb.
Clear long-range correlation in high-multiplicity p+Pb.

AMPT results on long-range azimuthal correlations in p+p and p+Pb



•The long-range two-particle azimuthal correlations in p+p and p+Pb are well reproduced by AMPT model (1.5mb).

•Long-range correlation ($\Delta \phi \sim 0$) appears in high-multiplicity p+p and p+Pb.

•For signal strength, p+p <p+Pb.

Cross section dependence of long-range correlation in p+Pb



•The two-particle correlations in p+Pb can be well described by $\sigma=1.5-3$ mb.

- •The strength of the signal gradually increases with growing σ and the signal vanishes completely for $\sigma = 0$ mb.
- •No visible long-range signal in the default AMPT model.
- •Long-range signal comes from parton cascade.

AMPT results on vn(pT) in p+Pb vs Pb+Pb



For p+Pb, AMPT (3 mb) reproduces the measured v2 and v3.
For Pb+Pb, AMPT (3 mb) reproduces the measured v3 for all pT, but underestimates v2 especially for high pT.

AMPT results on integrated vn



•For p+Pb, AMPT (3 mb) reproduces the integrated v2 and v3.

- •For Pb+Pb, AMPT (3 mb) reproduces the integrated v3, but underestimates the integrated v2 by $\sim 20\%$.
- •AMPT (3 mb) shows similar v3 between p+Pb and Pb+Pb.

AMPT results on PID vn



The mass ordering of v2 is observed in p+Pb, as seen in data.
No such a mass ordering of v3 in p+Pb.

PID pT spectra in p+Pb



•The AMPT model reproduces the CMS data for pT spectra of pion, Kaon, and proton, within the accuracy of 20%.

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AMPT results on d+Au and 3He+Au



•The AMPT also can produce the low-pT vn in d+Au and 3He+Au at RHIC.

Physical mechanism?



Hadron cascade effect?



•Hadron cascade shows a negligible effect on the p+Pb results.

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A possible explanation: escape mechanism



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larger probability for partons to escape along the short axis

Features:

•Partons freeze out with large positive v2, even when they do not interact at all. It is just due to the initial geometry.

•Remaining partons start off with negative v2, and become ~isotropic (v2~0) after one more collision.

•The flow of active partons as a result of parton interactions or hydrodynamictype pressure gradient is small.

•Similar for d+Au.

Initial and final parton distributions



Final parton distributions with different Ncoll



Non-interacting parton v2 vs Interacting parton v2





•Non-interacting parton $v^2 >$ Interacting parton v^2 at high pT.

Different Ncoll parton v2



• v2 decreases with Ncoll in the final state.

Initial parton v2



• v2 (small Ncoll)>0 and v2 (large Ncoll)<0, because the average v2 must be zero in the initial state.

$\Delta v2 = (final v2 - initial v2)$ for partons



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• Parton v2 gradually increases from negative to positive through subsequent parton collisions.

Time evolution of parton v2



• Parton v2 increases with time, as more collisions happen with time.

Summary

• The elastic scattering of partons, with $\sigma = 1.5$ -3mb, naturally explains the long-range correlations in p+p and p+Pb.

•v3 are in a good agreement with the CMS data. v2 is very well described in p+Pb and underestimated for higher pT in Pb +Pb.

• The signals arise from parton cascade (under investigation).

•In initial state, less-interacting partons (Ncoll=0 or 1) have positive v2, more-interacting partons (Ncoll>1) have negative v2.

•In final state, parton collisions can generate v2 to interacting partons, which leads to a final positive v2.

Thanks!