

Charge balancing in heavy-ion collisions

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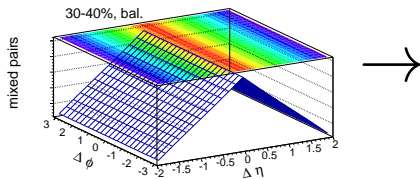
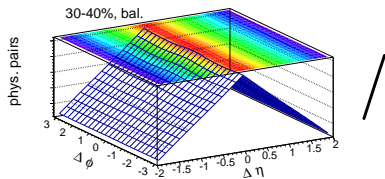
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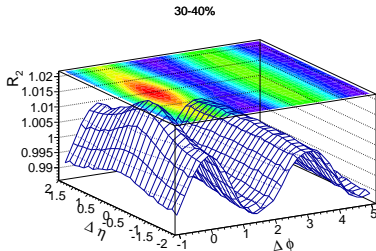
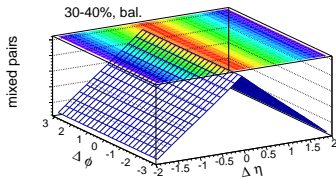
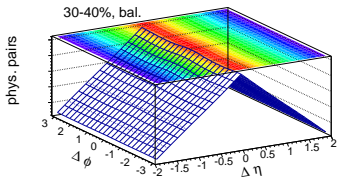
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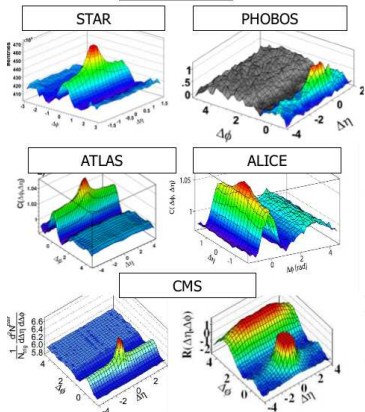
Sources of correlations

- jets \rightarrow central peak (same jet), away-side ridge (back-to-back jets)
- **collective harmonic flow** \rightarrow **near-** and away-side ridges
- **charge balancing** \rightarrow **central peak**, shape of the near-side ridge
- resonance decays \rightarrow away-side ridge
- Bose-Einstein \rightarrow central peak
- Coulomb, final-state, ...

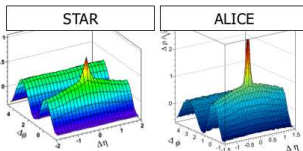
Ridges found everywhere!

The Ridge

Hard Ridge



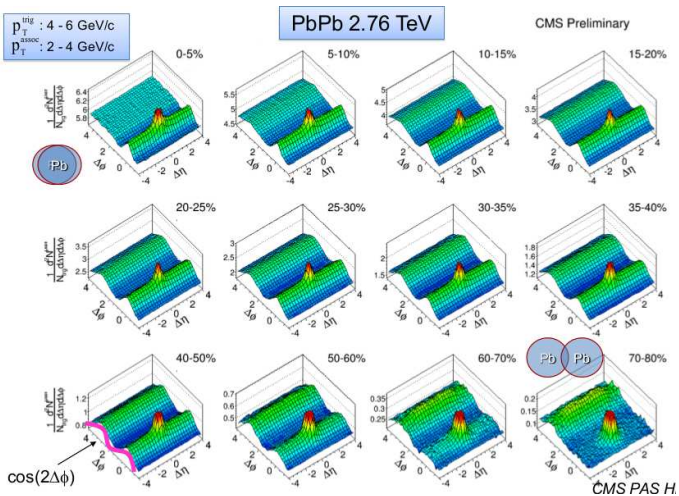
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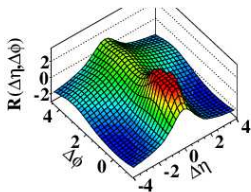
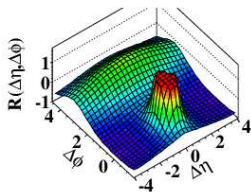
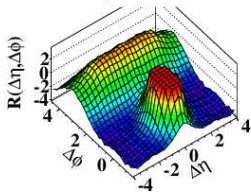
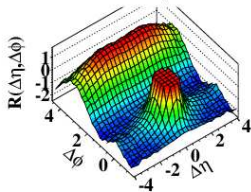
- **Hard Ridge:** high p_T trigger and lower p_T associates.
- **Soft Ridge:** correlations with no p_T restriction
Soft Contribution to the Hard Ridge
G.M., S.G. Nuclear Physics A 836 (2010) 43–58 arXiv:0910.3590
- **Flow based explanations:** correlations from source fluctuations, and transverse expansion must come from the same origin.
- **Long Range correlations:** correlations must emerge at early times.
- **Study the initial conditions!**

[from G. Moschelli]

Pb-Pb



p-p

(a) CMS MinBias, $p_T > 0.1 \text{ GeV}/c$ (b) CMS MinBias, $1.0 \text{ GeV}/c < p_T < 3.0 \text{ GeV}/c$ (c) CMS $N \geq 110$, $p_T > 0.1 \text{ GeV}/c$ (d) CMS $N \geq 110$, $1.0 \text{ GeV}/c < p_T < 3.0 \text{ GeV}/c$ 

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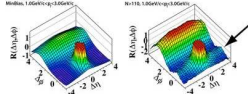
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Curious correlations seen by CMS

Sep 23, 2010 16 commentsCMS 2010, $\sqrt{s}=7\text{TeV}$

Million, 1.6GeV to 3.0GeV



Does a mysterious ridge point to a quark-gluon plasma?

A subtle and unexpected signal in data from the Large Hadron Collider (LHC) in Geneva could mean that the proton accelerator is capable of creating a "hot soup" of interacting particles called a quark-gluon plasma.

The result comes as a surprise because physicists had believed that colliding protons at the LHC should not create such a plasma – hints of which have already been spotted by the RHIC accelerator in the US, which smashes heavy ions such as gold together.

Hundreds of particles

When two protons collide at 7 TeV at the LHC, hundreds of particles can sometimes be produced and detected. In order to understand the underlying physics, physicists look for correlations between the angles at which pairs of particles fly away from the point of impact.

Researchers using the Compact Muon Solenoid (CMS) experiment at the LHC had expected that a plot of the correlations would show a peak where the angles are zero, which would mean that the particles are leaving the collision point in a jet pointing in a specific direction. Instead, the peak seems to be riding on top of a ridge-like structure. This suggests that some particles are heading off in completely different directions – and correlations between pairs of these outward particles are set by some sort of interaction between the particles when they were created in the collision.

One possible interpretation of the ridge is that the collision creates a dense fluid of many nucleons and gluons – a mark-ation plasma –



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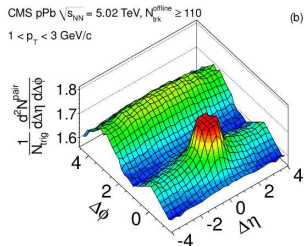
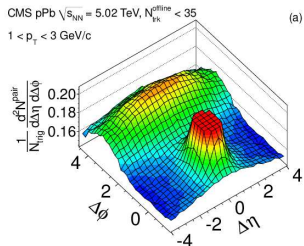
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Key suppliers



p-Pb



(released last month - see Piotr Bożek's talk)

Flow

$$\rho_2^{\text{phys}}(\Delta\phi, \Delta\eta) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int d\phi_1 d\phi_2 d\eta_1 d\eta_2 \rho_1(\phi_1, \eta_1) \rho_1(\phi_2, \eta_2) \delta_{\Delta\phi - \phi_2 + \phi_1} \delta_{\Delta\eta - \eta_2 + \eta_1} + \rho_c(\Delta\phi, \Delta\eta)$$

$$\rho_2^{\text{mixed}}(\Delta\eta) = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^2} \int d\Psi d\phi_1 d\phi_2 d\eta_1 d\eta_2 \rho_1(\phi_1, \eta_1) \rho_1(\phi_2 - \Psi, \eta_2) \delta_{\Delta\phi - \phi_2 + \phi_1} \delta_{\Delta\eta - \eta_2 + \eta_1}$$

$$\rho_1(\phi, \eta) = n(\eta) \left[1 + 2 \sum_n v_n(\eta) \cos(n\phi - \Psi_n) \right]$$

$$R_2 = \frac{\langle \int d\eta_1 d\eta_2 n(\eta_1) n(\eta_2) \left[1 + 2 \sum_n v_n(\eta_1) v_n(\eta_2) \cos(n\Delta\phi) \right] \delta_{\Delta\eta - \eta_2 + \eta_1} + \rho_c \rangle_{\text{events}}}{\langle \int d\eta_1 d\eta_2 n(\eta_1) n(\eta_2) \delta_{\Delta\eta - \eta_2 + \eta_1} \rangle_{\text{events}}} =$$

$$= 1 + 2 \sum_n v_n^2(\Delta\eta) \cos(n\Delta\phi) \quad (\text{includes fluctuations and nonflow})$$

spectra and flow coefficients as functions of η yield $v_n^2(\Delta\eta)$ only if $\rho_c = 0$
 e-by-e \rightarrow presence of odd harmonics from fluctuations also for symmetric collisions

Fluctuations

Our approach (“Standard Model of heavy-ion collisions”):
initial \rightarrow hydro \rightarrow statistical hadronization

- **Initial phase** - “geometric fluctuations” from the distribution of nuclei
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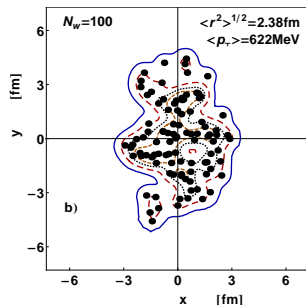
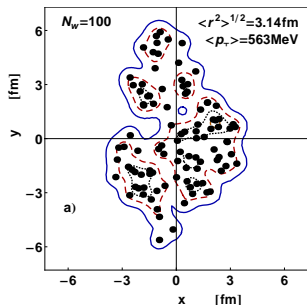
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For **A-A collisions** the **local charge conservation (balancing)** very important for 2-particle correlations \rightarrow explanation of bulk of the data for $\Delta\eta < \sim 1$, $\Delta\phi < \sim 1$ – explanation of the “puzzling nature” of the near-side ridge \rightarrow **late charge separation**

Initial fluctuations in the Glauber approach



Two typical configuration of wounded nucleons in the transverse plane generated with GLISSANDO, isentropes at $s = 0.05, 0.2, \text{ and } 0.4 \text{ GeV}^{-3}$

(taken as is, no need to talk about hotspots, tubes, etc.)

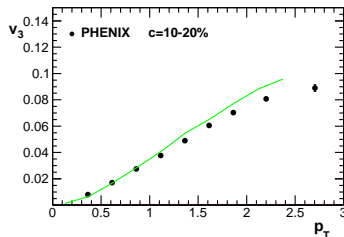
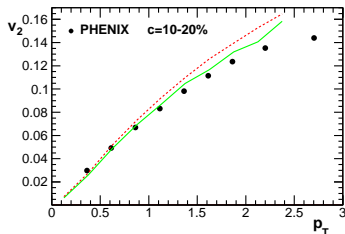
Hydrodynamics [Božek]

3+1D viscous event-by-event hydrodynamics, tuned to reproduce the one-body **RHIC** data [Božek 2012]

standard set of parameters:

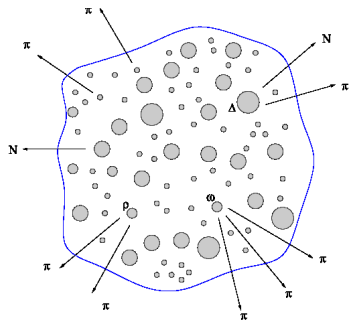
$$\tau_{\text{init}} = 0.6 \text{ fm}/c, \eta/s = 0.08 \text{ (shear)}, \zeta/s = 0.04 \text{ (bulk)}, T_f = 150 \text{ MeV}$$

sample results \rightarrow it works for one-body observables



solid: e-by-e, dashed: averaged initial condition

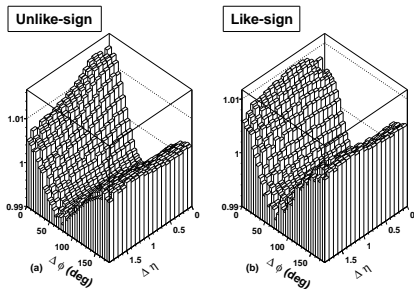
Final fluctuations



Statistical hadronization via Frye-Cooper formula + resonance decays (THERMINATOR)
 + transverse-momentum conservation approximately imposed

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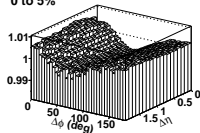
($0.8 < p_T < 4$ GeV - “unbiased”, HBT peak removed)



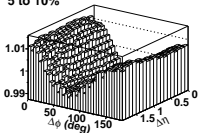
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like sign ($0.8 < p_T < 4$ GeV - “unbiased”)

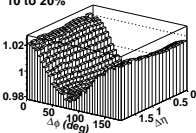
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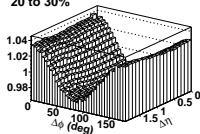
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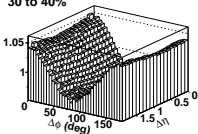
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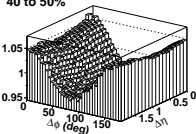
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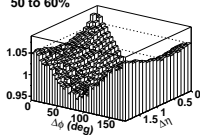
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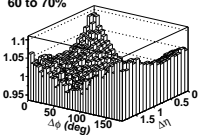
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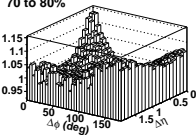
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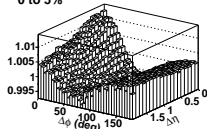
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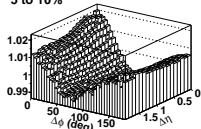
STAR data, 2008

unlike sign ($0.8 < p_T < 4$ GeV - "unbiased")

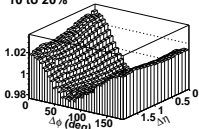
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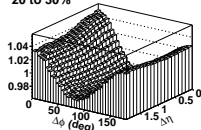
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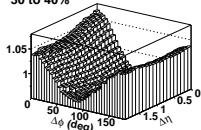
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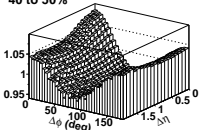
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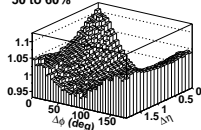
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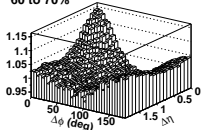
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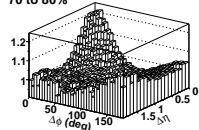
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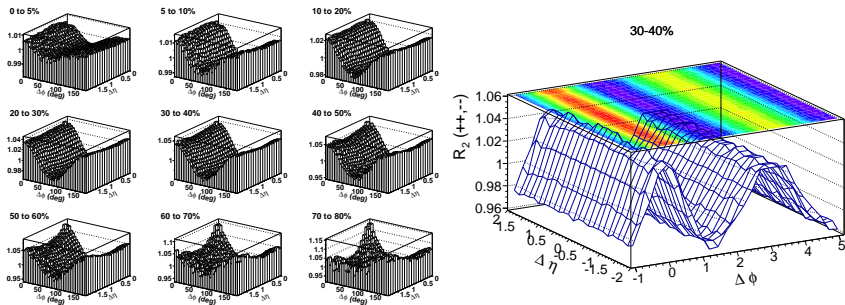


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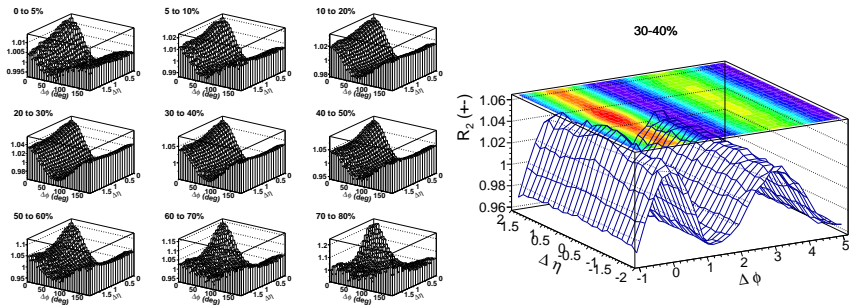
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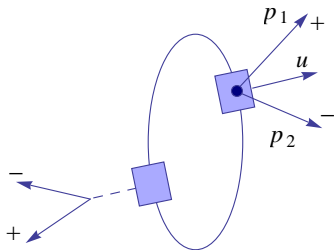
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Charge balancing (from resonance decays and “direct”)

transverse-plane view of the expanding system at freeze-out



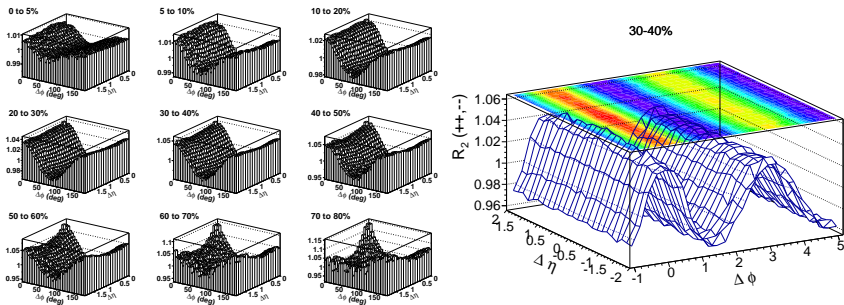
direct balancing: particle-antiparticle pair emitted from the neutral hydrodynamic medium at freeze-out from the same space-time point, e.g., $\pi^+\pi^-$, K^+K^- , $p\bar{p}$, ..., $\Delta^0\bar{\Delta}^0$...

resonances also contribute

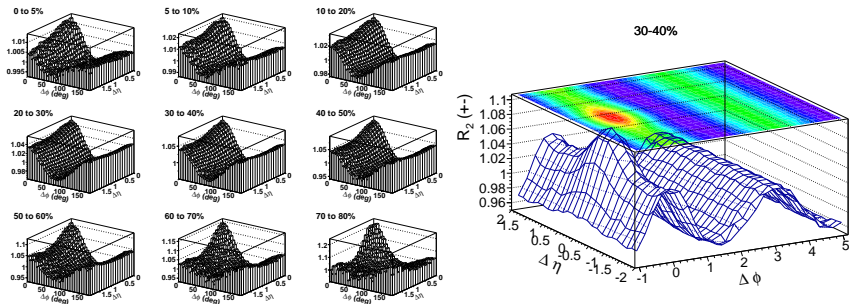
special kind of clusters

many ways to modify/improve

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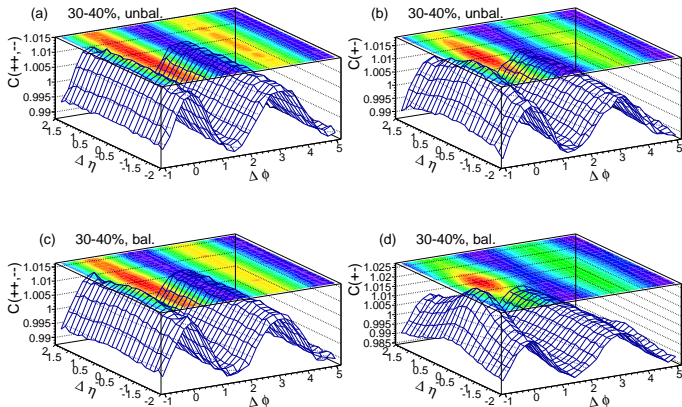
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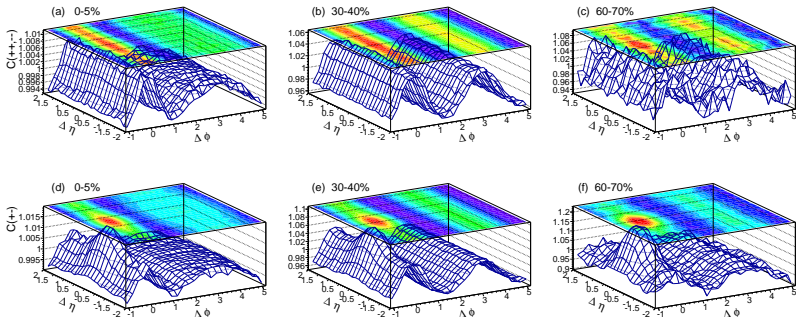
(correct “offsets” - compare to Takahashi et al. 2009, Sharma et al. 2011)

Role of balancing

$(0.2 < p_T < 2 \text{ GeV}, C = R_2)$



3 centralities

 $(0.8 < p_T < 4 \text{ GeV})$ 

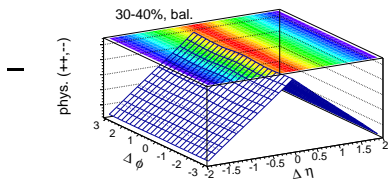
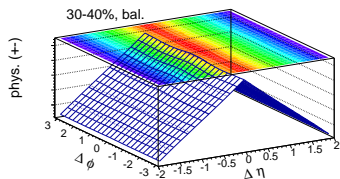
Balancing effect relatively strongest for central and peripheral collisions, as in the experiment

2D balance functions

$$B(\Delta\eta, \Delta\phi) = \frac{\langle N_{+-} - N_{++} \rangle}{\langle N_{+} \rangle} + \frac{\langle N_{-+} - N_{--} \rangle}{\langle N_{-} \rangle}$$

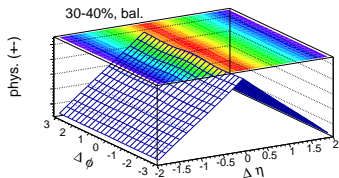
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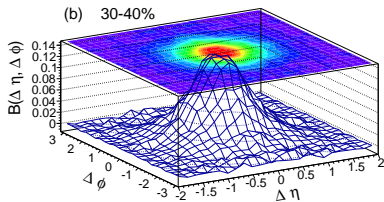
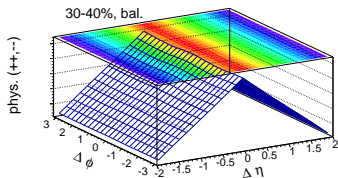


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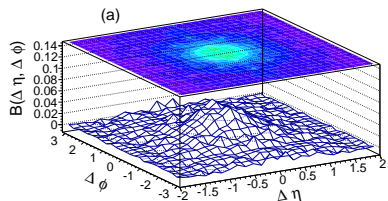


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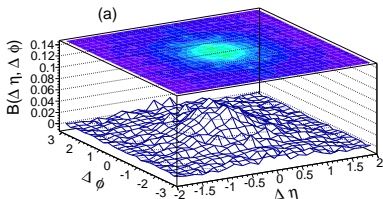
2D balance functions

Crucial role of charge balancing

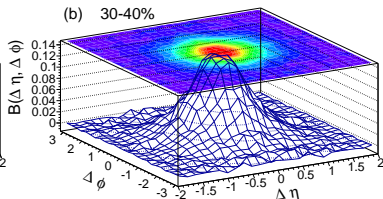


2D balance functions

Crucial role of charge balancing



small (resonance decays only)



big (direct balancing)

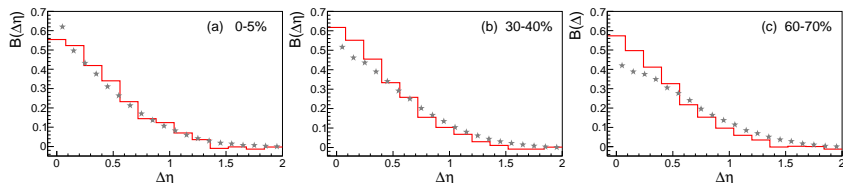
balancing + flow \rightarrow collimation

important non-flow effect, a way to look at the data

(flow effects in correlations \equiv obtainable by folding the single-particle distributions containing flow)

Balance functions in relative pseudrapidity $\Delta\eta$

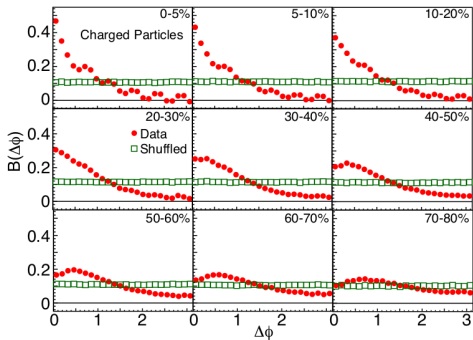
Marginal distribution of the above 2D function: the charge balance function in $\Delta\eta$



comparison to the STAR data

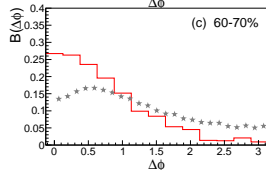
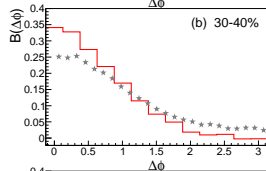
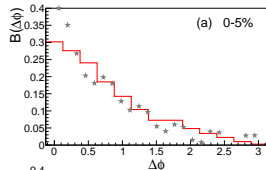
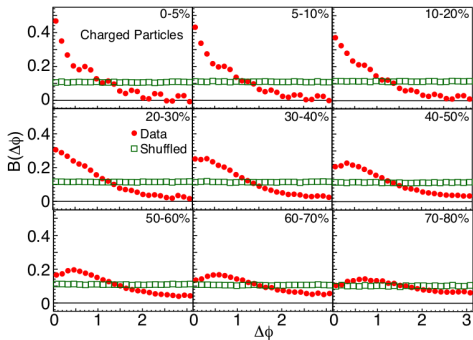
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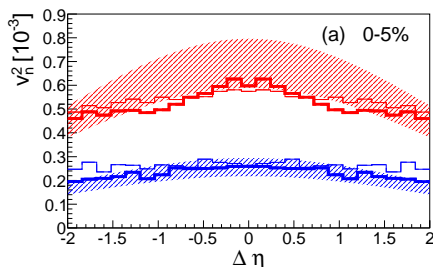
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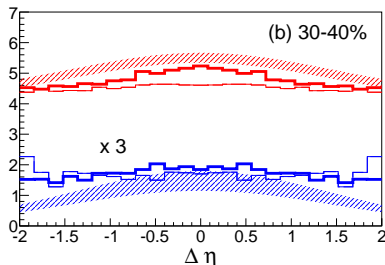


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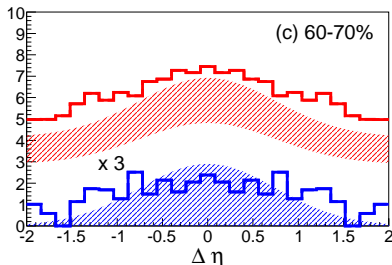


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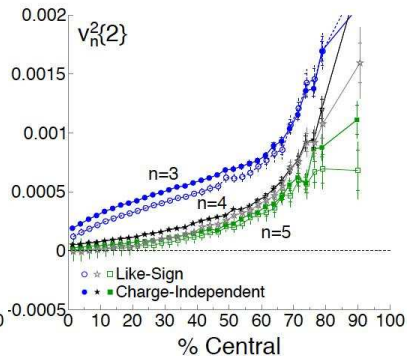
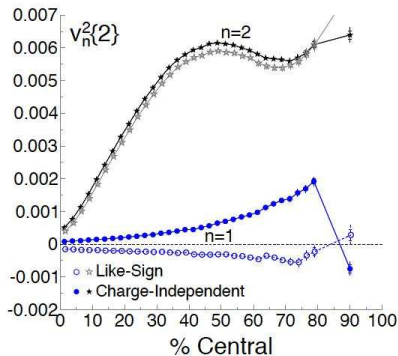


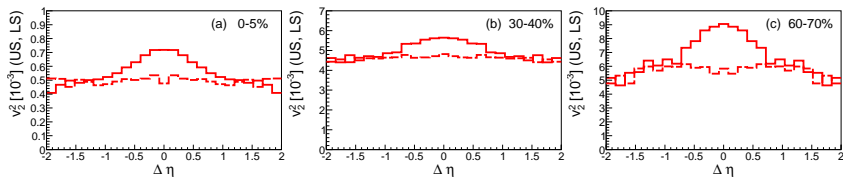
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Charge-dependence of $v_n^2(\Delta\eta)$ $(0.15 < p_T < 2 \text{ GeV})$ 

solid: unlike, dashed: like

Conclusions

- E-by-e hydro in semi-quantitative agreement with the (soft) data for 2-particle 2D correlations from RHIC and LHC for A-A and p-A collisions
- **Charge balancing** combined with flow explains the shape of the same-side ridge for $\Delta\eta < \sim 1$ and $\Delta\phi$ - major **non-flow** effect
- The fall-off of the flow coefficients $v_n^2(\Delta\eta)$ reproduced
- Charge balancing increases $v_n^2\{2\}$ by a few % and splits the like-sign and unlike-sign combinations
→ **late charge separation**