

Higher flow harmonics from viscous hydrodynamics with fluctuating initial conditions

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Relativistic hydrodynamics

Hydrodynamics: conservation laws.

Works for small mean free path (compared to the system size).

$$\partial_\mu T^{\mu\nu} = 0$$

Generally:

$$T^{\mu\nu} = (\epsilon + P)u^\mu u^\nu - P g^{\mu\nu} + \pi^{\mu\nu}.$$

with $T^{\mu\nu}u_\nu = \epsilon u^\mu$ and $u_\mu u^\mu = 1$. So $\pi^{\mu\nu}u_\nu = 0$.

Physics: Microscopic physics is thermal \Rightarrow averages out.

$$\text{Equation of state: } P = P(\epsilon)$$

(from e.g. lattice QCD / hadron gas model)

New algorithm

We use a new (Kurganov-Tadmor) algorithm

- low numerical viscosity
- deals well with shocks

A. Kurganov, E. Tadmor, *Journal of Computational Physics* **160**, 241-282 (2000)

Finite volume method for Conservation Laws

How to solve the hyperbolic equations?

Example: 1-D current

- Average over a cell centered at x_j to turn

$$\partial_t \rho = -\partial_x J$$

into

$$\frac{d}{dt} \bar{\rho}_j = -\frac{1}{\Delta x} (J(x_{j+1/2}) - J(x_{j-1/2}))$$

Exact so far. But J depends on $\rho(x_{j\pm 1/2})$, not $\bar{\rho}_j$.

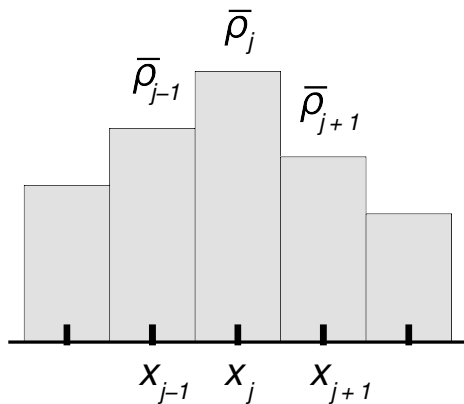
- **Goal:** Derive an approximate equation

$$\frac{d}{dt} \bar{\rho}_j = -\frac{1}{\Delta x} (H(x_{j+1/2}) - H(x_{j-1/2}))$$

where H is constructed using $\bar{\rho}_j$, not $\rho(x_{j\pm 1/2})$.

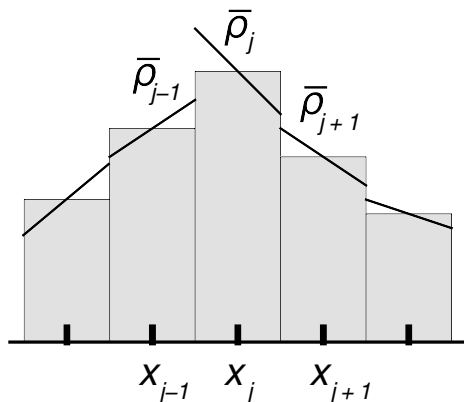
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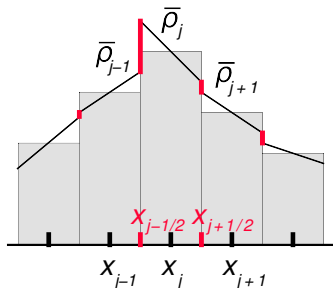
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- Do a piecewise linear reconstruction of the local values.

Kurganov-Tadmor

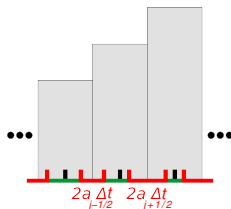
- **Trouble:** $x_{j\pm 1/2}$ are where the boundaries are.
Solve Riemann problems **or** avoid evaluating J at $x_{j\pm 1/2}$



- **One idea:** Use staggered grid with cells centered at $x_{j-1/2}$ and $x_{j+1/2}$. So J is evaluated at x_j and x_{j+1} . In the next step use original grid, since discontinuities are now at x_j and x_{j+1} . Repeat (Nessyahu and Tadmor).
- **Better idea:** Use the propagation speed (Kurganov and Tadmor).

Kurganov-Tadmor

- Avoid evaluating J at discontinuity
- Divide intervals into $2a\Delta t$ around the discontinuity and the rest
- a : Maximum propagation speed



- Evaluate currents at edges of new cells (using charge conserving linear extrapolations)
- Project $a\Delta t$ intervals and $\Delta x - a\Delta t$ intervals onto the original Δx grid.

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- In the end take $\Delta t \rightarrow 0$ limit to get

$$\frac{d}{dt} \bar{\rho}_j = - \frac{H_{j+1/2} - H_{j-1/2}}{\Delta x}$$

where

$$H_{j\pm 1/2} = \frac{J(x_{j\pm 1/2,+}) + J(x_{j\pm 1/2,-})}{2} - \frac{a_{j\pm 1/2}}{2} (\bar{\rho}_{j\pm 1/2,+} - \bar{\rho}_{j\pm 1/2,-})$$

where

$$x_{j+1/2,\pm}^n = x_{j+1/2} \pm a_{j+1/2}^n \Delta t$$

and

$$\bar{\rho}_{j+1/2,+} = \bar{\rho}_{j+1} - \frac{\Delta x}{2} (\rho_x)_{j+1} \quad \bar{\rho}_{j+1/2,-} = \bar{\rho}_j + \frac{\Delta x}{2} (\rho_x)_j$$

with the *minmod* flux limiter for the derivative $(\rho_x)_j$.

MUScl for Ion Collisions:

B. Schenke, S. Jeon, and C. Gale Phys. Rev. **C82**, 014903 (2010), arXiv:1004.1408

MUSCL = Monotonic Upstream Centered Scheme for Conservation Laws

- Solve KT

$$\frac{d}{dt}\bar{\rho}_j = -\frac{H_{j+1/2} - H_{j-1/2}}{\Delta x}$$

with a second order Runge-Kutta scheme

- In 3+1 dimensions and $\tau - \eta$ coordinates
- Cooper-Frye freeze-out with sophisticated freeze-out surface construction
- Includes different equations of state including s95p-v1 from Huovinen and Petreczky (Lattice-QCD)

P. Huovinen and P. Petreczky, Nucl. Phys. **A837**, 26-53 (2010)

Equations to be solved - ideal case

$$\partial_{\mu} T^{\mu\nu} = 0$$

In τ - η coordinates the relevant equations to be solved can be written as

$$\partial_{\tau}(\tau T^{\tau\tau}) + \partial_v(\tau T^{v\tau}) + \partial_{\eta_s}(T^{\eta_s\tau}) + T^{\eta_s\eta_s} = 0$$

and

$$\partial_{\tau}(\tau T^{\tau\eta_s}) + \partial_{\eta_s}(T^{\eta_s\eta_s}) + \partial_v(\tau T^{v\eta_s}) + T^{\tau\eta_s} = 0$$

and

$$\partial_{\tau}(\tau T^{\tau v}) + \partial_{\eta_s}(T^{\eta_s v}) + \partial_w(\tau T^{wv}) = 0$$

terms in red are expressed by the Kurganov-Tadmor term

$$\text{“} \frac{H_{j+1/2} - H_{j-1/2}}{\Delta x} \text{”}$$

terms in green come from the coordinate transformation and are treated as external sources

Maximum propagation speed

Max speed in the k direction is the max eigenvalue of the Jacobian

$$\mathcal{J}_{ab}^k = \frac{\partial J_a^k}{\partial J_b^T}$$

a, b are five currents (net baryon, energy, and momentum).

Including viscosity

$$T^{\mu\nu} = (\epsilon + P)u^\mu u^\nu - P g^{\mu\nu} + \pi^{\mu\nu}$$

$\pi^{\mu\nu}$ = shear part with $\pi^{\mu\nu}u_\nu = 0$ and $\pi^\mu{}_\mu = 0$.

We use the second order Israel-Stewart formalism, where $\pi^{\mu\nu}$ satisfies

$$\begin{aligned}\pi^{\mu\nu} = & \eta(\nabla^\mu u^\nu + \nabla^\nu u^\mu - \frac{2}{3}\Delta^{\mu\nu}\nabla_\alpha u^\alpha) \\ & - \frac{4}{3}\tau_\pi\pi^{\mu\nu}\partial_\alpha u^\alpha - \tau_\pi\Delta_\alpha^\mu\Delta_\beta^\nu u^\sigma\partial_\sigma\pi^{\alpha\beta},\end{aligned}$$

with $\partial_\mu = \nabla_\mu + u_\mu(u_\alpha\partial^\alpha)$ and $\Delta^{\mu\nu} = g^{\mu\nu} - u^\mu u^\nu$.

The relaxation time τ_π is set to $\frac{3\eta}{\epsilon + \mathcal{P}}$.

Equations to be solved - viscous case

In τ - η coordinates the relevant equations to be solved can be written explicitly as

$$\begin{aligned} \partial_\tau(\tau T^{\tau\tau}) + \partial_v(\tau T^{v\tau}) + \partial_{\eta_s}(T^{\eta_s\tau}) + T^{\eta_s\eta_s} \\ + \partial_\tau(\tau \pi^{\tau\tau}) + \partial_v(\tau \pi^{v\tau}) + \partial_{\eta_s}(\pi^{\eta_s\tau}) + \pi^{\eta_s\eta_s} = 0 \end{aligned}$$

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Kurganov-Tadmor current
treated as sources

Equations to be solved - viscous case

In addition, we have to solve the equation for $\pi^{\mu\nu}$:

$$\begin{aligned}\partial_c(u^c \pi^{ab}) = & -\frac{1}{2\tau} u^\tau \pi^{ab} + \frac{1}{\tau} \Delta^{a\eta} u^\eta \pi^{b\tau} - \frac{1}{\tau} \Delta^{a\tau} u^\eta \pi^{b\eta} \\ & - g_{cf} \pi^{cb} u^a D u^f - \frac{\pi^{ab}}{2\tau_\pi} - \frac{1}{6} \pi^{ab} \partial_c u^c \\ & + \frac{\eta}{\tau_\pi} \left(-\frac{1}{\tau} \Delta^{a\eta} g^{b\eta} u^\tau + \frac{1}{\tau} \Delta^{a\eta} g^{b\tau} u^\tau \right. \\ & \quad \left. + g^{ac} \partial_c u^b - u^a D u^b - \frac{1}{3} \Delta^{ab} \partial_c u^c \right) \\ & + (a \leftrightarrow b),\end{aligned}$$

Cooper-Frye - ideal case

We compute the thermal particle spectra using the **Cooper-Frye formula**

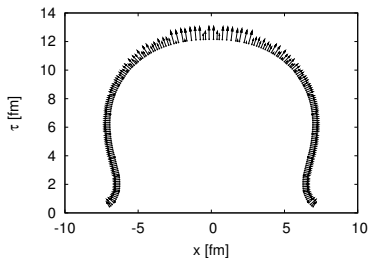
$$E \frac{dN}{dy p_T dp_T d\phi_p} = g_i \int_{\Sigma} f(u^\mu p_\mu) p^\alpha d^3 \Sigma_\alpha,$$

with

$$f(u^\mu p_\mu) = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^3} \frac{1}{\exp[(u^\mu p_\mu - \mu_i)/T_{FO}] \pm 1},$$

and the freeze-out surface Σ .

Σ is constructed geometrically, extending the triangulation algorithm for 2+1D hydro to 3+1 dimensions. That means, every surface element is built from tetrahedra.



Including viscosity

Viscous correction to the equilibrium distribution functions:

$$f \rightarrow f + \delta f$$

with

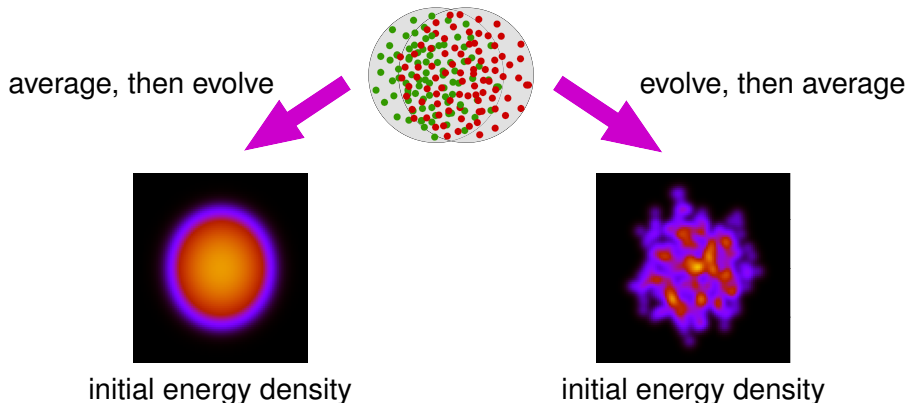
$$\delta f = f_0(1 \pm f_0)p^\alpha p^\beta \pi_{\alpha\beta} \frac{1}{2(\epsilon + \mathcal{P})T^2}$$

The choice $\delta f \sim p^2$ is not unique.

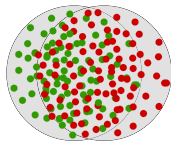
Ambiguity in δf leads to large uncertainty.

see Dusling, Moore, and Teaney, Phys.Rev.C81:034907 (2010)

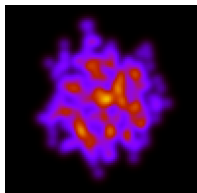
Event-by-event hydrodynamics



Event-by-event hydrodynamics



evolve, then average

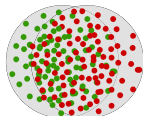


initial energy density

Event-by-event!

Initialization:

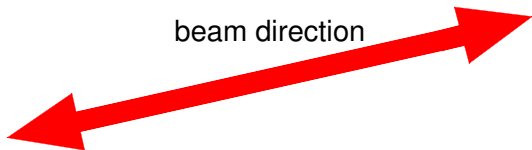
- Sample Woods-Saxon distributions to determine all nucleon positions
- Overlap those distributions using impact parameter b



b is sampled from $P(b)db = 2bdb / (b_{\max}^2 - b_{\min}^2)$

- Nucleon-nucleon collision occurs if distance is $< \sqrt{\sigma_{NN}/\pi}$
- At position of collision add 2D-Gaussian energy density distribution with width σ_0 .
For now we use $\sigma_0 = 0.4$ fm.

Single event initial conditions



Viscosity in event-by-event simulations

(scale in $1/\text{fm}^4$):

ideal

$$\eta/s = 0.16$$

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(the pulsating comes from adjusting the energy density scale of the plot)

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Higher harmonics

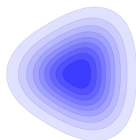
Anisotropic flow can be characterized by a Fourier decomposition of the azimuthal particle distributions.

$$\frac{dN}{d\phi} = \frac{N}{2\pi} \left(1 + \sum_n (2v_n \cos(n\phi)) \right)$$

When including fluctuations, all moments appear:



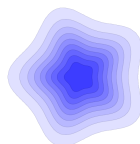
$n = 2$



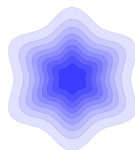
$n = 3$



$n = 4$



$n = 5$



$n = 6$

also v_1 and $n > 6$.

Event plane

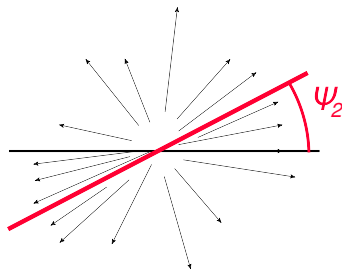
To get non-zero odd moments, we rotate the event plane in each event.

Event plane is defined by the angle:

$$\psi_n = \frac{1}{n} \arctan \frac{\langle p_T \sin(n\phi) \rangle}{\langle p_T \cos(n\phi) \rangle}$$

using particle momenta.

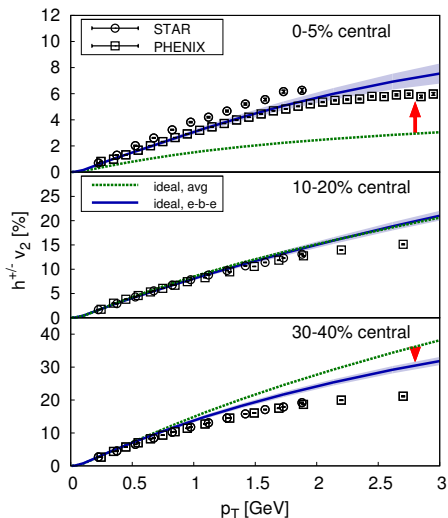
A.Poskanzer and S.Voloshin, Phys.Rev.C58:1671-1678 (1998)



$$v_n = \langle \cos(n(\phi - \psi_n)) \rangle$$

... different angle for every flow coefficient.

Flow results from e-b-e viscous MUSIC

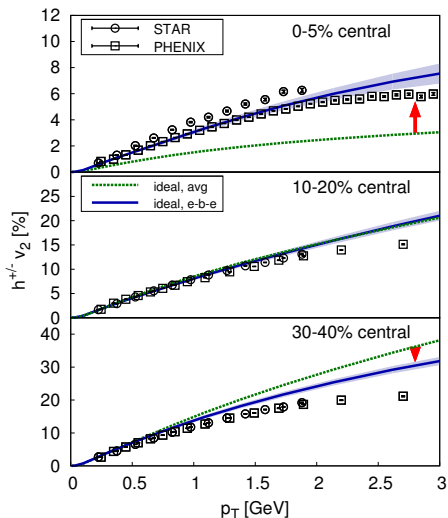


Most central collisions:
fluctuations **increase** elliptic flow

Larger centralities:
fluctuations **decrease** elliptic flow

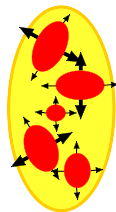
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Why?

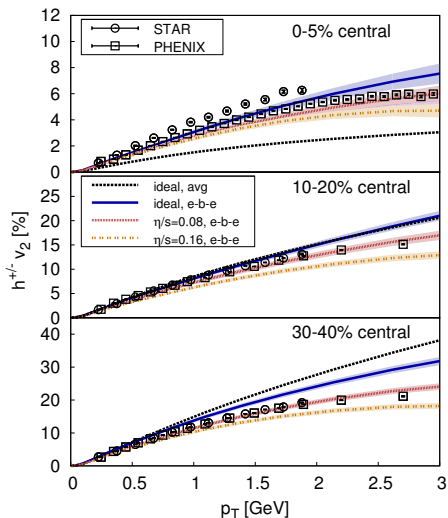
- Measure with respect to the **event-plane**:
Maximizes flow.
- Competing effect:
Substructure of hotspots



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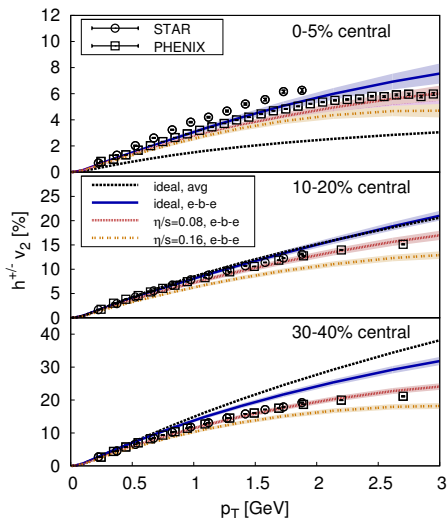
Now add shear viscosity.

$\eta/s = 0.08$ and

$\eta/s = 0.16$

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- event-by-event fluctuations important!
- Viscosity is **very low**.

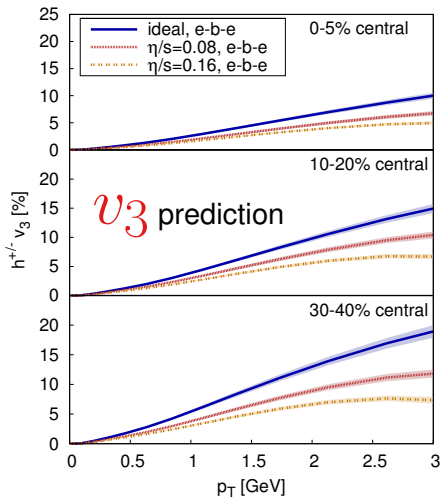
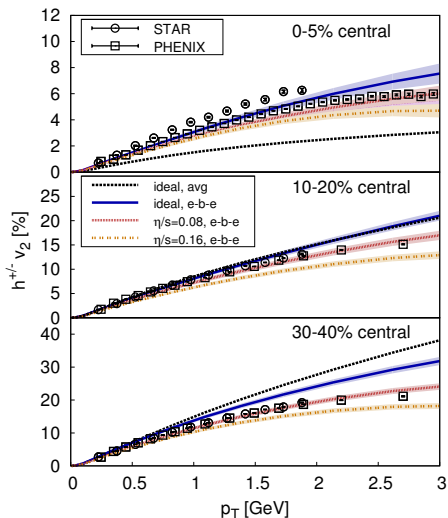
The lower bound of viscosity/entropy density conjectured from AdS/CFT duality is

$$\eta/s = 1/4\pi \approx 0.08$$

(red curves)

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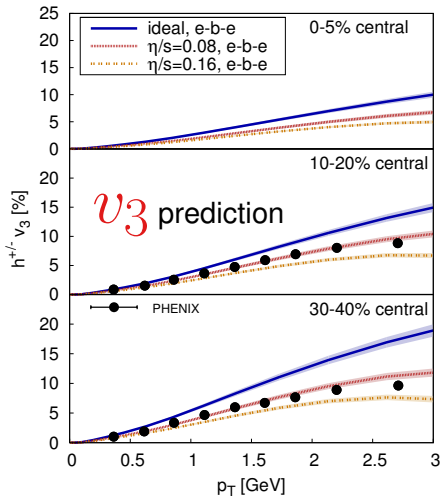
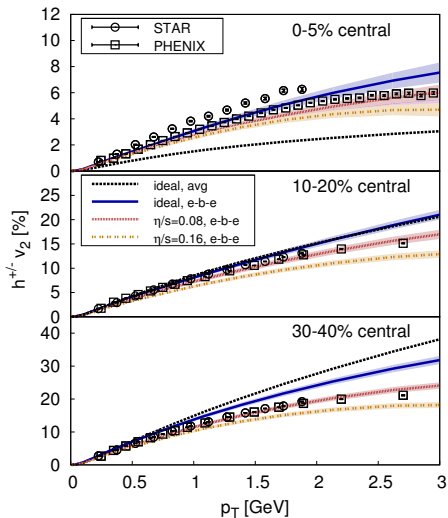


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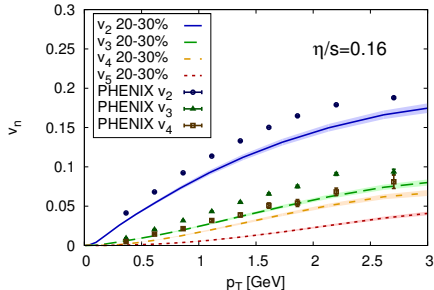
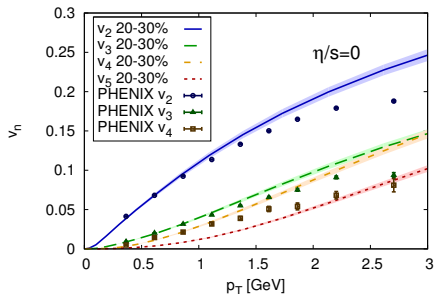


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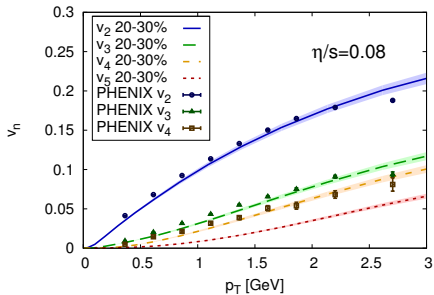
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Using higher harmonics to determine η/s



PRELIMINARY



This is promising.

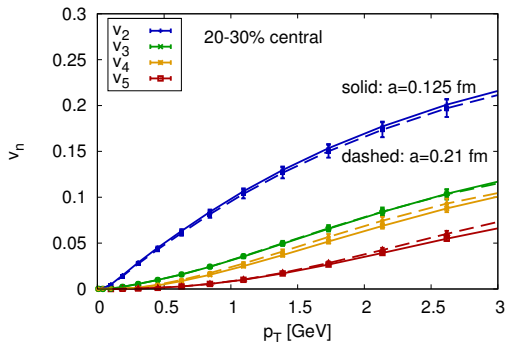
Need systematic study of all v_n as function of initial conditions, granularity, η/s , ...

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Sensitivity to the lattice spacing

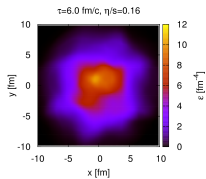
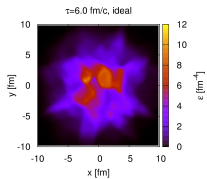
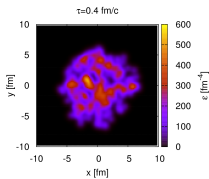
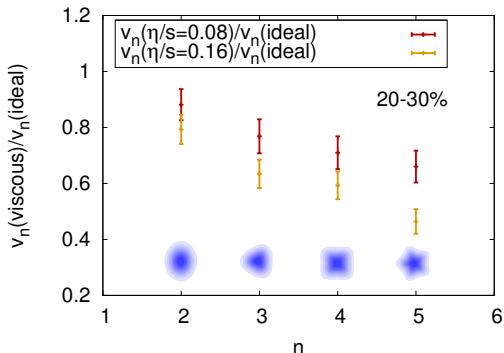
Higher v_n are driven by fine spatial structures. Are we resolving these?



With finite viscosity (here $\eta/s = 0.08$) we are ok up to at least v_5 !

Dependence on η/s

Higher Fourier coefficients are suppressed more by viscosity.



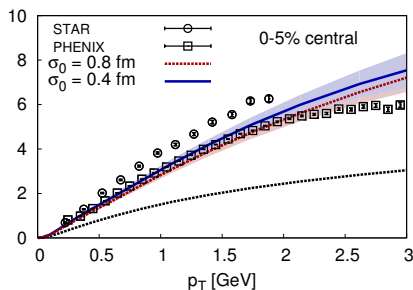
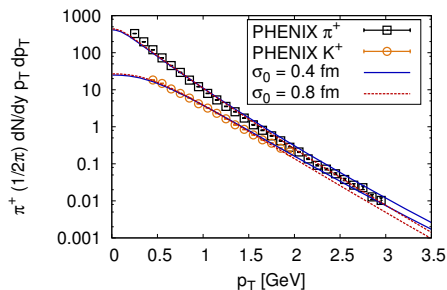
Summary

- 3+1d relativistic event-by-event viscous hydrodynamic simulation
- Kurganov-Tadmor algorithm has very low numerical viscosity, deals well with shocks.
- Viscous event-by-event simulations are necessary (and feasible).
- Event-by-event hydro allows to compute all flow harmonics.
- Need to study higher harmonics and their fluctuations to determine initial conditions and η/s separately.

BACKUP

A little more detail

Dependence on the width σ_0 , used to initialize the lumpy energy density distribution.



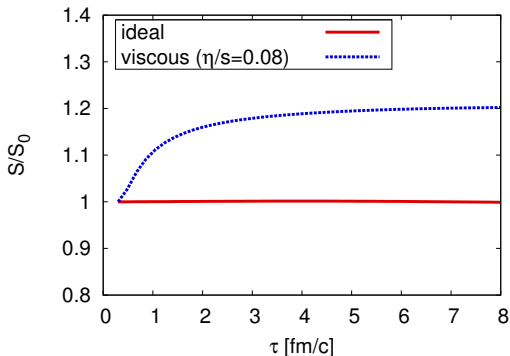
Qualitatively: Harder spectra and larger v_2 for smaller σ_0 .

Quantitatively: Small effect - within statistical error bars for $p_T < 2$ GeV.

Entropy production

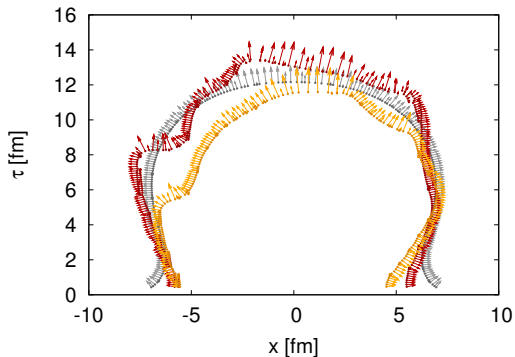
Ideal hydro: $\partial_\mu S^\mu = 0$ with $S^\mu = su^\mu \Rightarrow S = \int_V d\mathbf{x}_\perp \tau d\eta su^\tau = \text{const.}$

Viscous hydro: **physical entropy production**



Freeze-out surface in a single event

The freeze-out finder works great in a single event:



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Issues

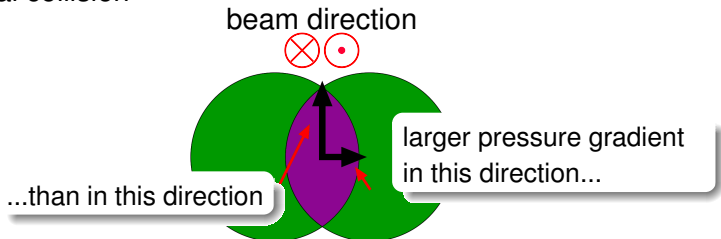
What if $\pi^{\mu\nu}$, the viscous **correction** to $T^{\mu\nu}$, becomes **larger** than $T^{\mu\nu}$?
It does happen. Mostly at edges where the energy density is low.

Options:

- **Revert to previous value of $\pi^{\mu\nu}$:**
Will stop evolution of $\pi^{\mu\nu} \rightarrow$ Overestimates $\pi^{\mu\nu}$ at freeze-out.
- **Set $\pi^{\mu\nu}$ to zero:**
Numerically unstable. Underestimates viscous contribution.
- **Return to previous value and reduce it by 5%:**
Best tested method. Smoothly decreases $\pi^{\mu\nu}$. Numerically stable.

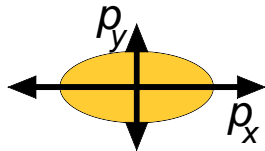
Another observable: Flow

Non-central collision



Particle distribution in **momentum space** will be anisotropic.

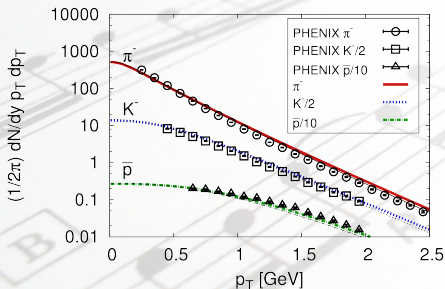
Quantify using a Fourier decomposition:



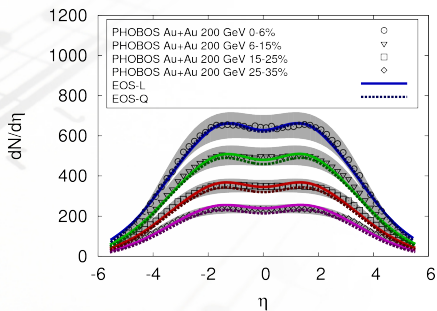
$$\frac{dN}{d\phi} = \frac{N}{2\pi} \left(1 + \sum_n (2v_n \cos(n\phi)) \right) \Rightarrow v_2 \text{ characterizes elliptic flow}$$

Results from ideal MUSIC

Include resonances up to 2 GeV and compute their decays to get the
Particle spectra



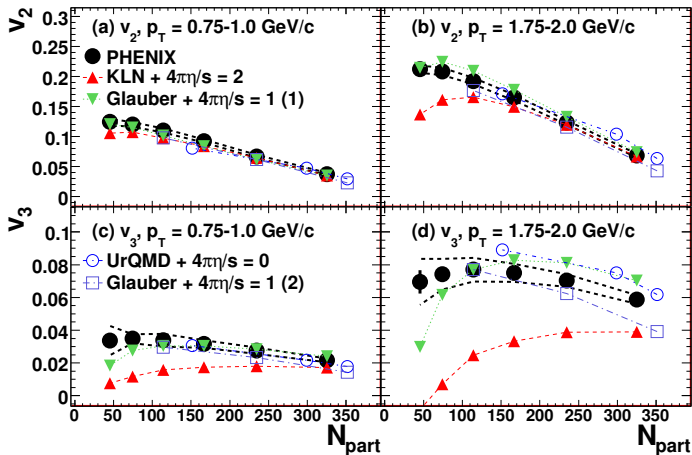
transverse momentum



pseudo-rapidity

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Flow results from e-b-e viscous MUSIC



blue squares are MUSIC

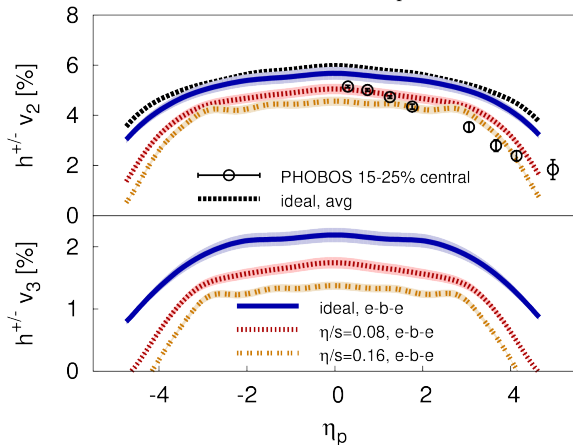
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Flow results from e-b-e viscous MUSIC

Event-by-event fluctuations and viscosity improve agreement with experimental data.

v_2 and v_3 as functions of pseudo-rapidity η_p

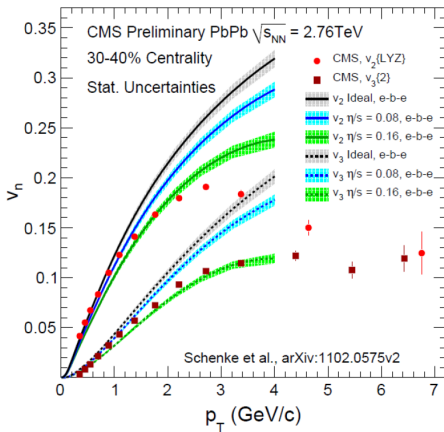


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Experimental data: B.B. Back et al. (PHOBOS), Phys.Rev.C72:051901 (2005)

LHC $v_2(p_T)$ and $v_3(p_T)$

v_3 was a prediction!



No perfect agreement yet. But not a lot of tuning was done for LHC.

Experimental data: The CMS collaboration 2011

B. Schenke, S. Jeon, C. Gale, Phys. Lett. B702, 59-63 (2011)

Numerical viscosity

- In the Lax scheme, the time derivative is expressed by

$$\frac{d}{dt}\rho = \frac{\rho_j^{n+1} - \rho_j^n}{\Delta t} - \frac{\rho_{j+1}^n - 2\rho_j^n + \rho_{j-1}^n}{2\Delta t}$$

to deal with instability of the simplest discretization (FTCS).

In “continuum form” the last term reads $\frac{(\Delta x)^2}{2\Delta t} \partial_x^2 \rho$, introducing **numerical viscosity**

- In KT we have

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{dt} \bar{\rho}_j(t) = & - \frac{[J(\bar{\rho}_{j+1/2}^+(t)) + J(\bar{\rho}_{j+1/2}^-(t))] - [J(\bar{\rho}_{j-1/2}^+(t)) + J(\bar{\rho}_{j-1/2}^-(t))]}{2\Delta x} \\ & + \frac{1}{2\Delta x} \{ a_{j+1/2}(t) [\bar{\rho}_{j+1/2}^+(t) - \bar{\rho}_{j+1/2}^-(t)] - a_{j-1/2}(t) [\bar{\rho}_{j-1/2}^+(t) - \bar{\rho}_{j-1/2}^-(t)] \} \end{aligned}$$

Taylor expanding $\bar{\rho}_{j\pm 1}$ in $\bar{\rho}_{j\pm 1/2}^\pm$ around $\bar{\rho}_j$ shows that numerical viscosity is of order $(\Delta x)^3$

No $1/\Delta t$ term!

Maximum propagation speed

Max speed in the k direction is the max eigenvalue of the Jacobian

$$\mathcal{J}_{ab}^k = \frac{\partial J_a^k}{\partial J_b^\tau}$$

a, b are five currents (net baryon, energy, and momentum).

For $k = x, y$:

- Two eigenvalues are u^k/u^τ .
- Two eigenvalues are $\lambda_k^\pm = \frac{A \pm \sqrt{B}}{D}$,
with $A = u^\tau u^k (1 - v_s^2)$, $B = [u_\tau^2 - u_k^2 - (u_\tau^2 - u_k^2 - 1)v_s^2]v_s^2$, $D = u_\tau^2 - (u_\tau^2 - 1)v_s^2$

For $k = \eta_s$:

- Same eigenvalues but scaled by $1/\tau$

Largest eigenvalue is $\lambda_k^\pm = \frac{|A| + \sqrt{B}}{D}$ (times $1/\tau$ if $k = \eta_s$).

That's the maximum local propagation speed.

Minmod flux limiter

The minmod flux limiter takes care of switching between a second order derivative where the function is smooth and a first order derivative where there are large gradients.

The derivative is

$$(\rho_x)_j = \text{minmod} \left(\theta \frac{\bar{\rho}_{j+1} - \bar{\rho}_j}{\Delta x}, \frac{\bar{\rho}_{j+1} - \bar{\rho}_{j-1}}{2\Delta x}, \theta \frac{\bar{\rho}_j - \bar{\rho}_{j-1}}{\Delta x} \right),$$

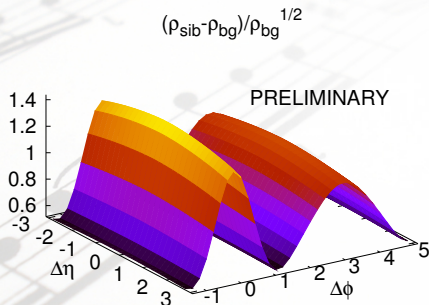
with

$$\text{minmod}(x_1, x_2, \dots) = \begin{cases} \min_i \{x_i\}, & \text{if } x_i > 0 \forall i \\ \max_i \{x_i\}, & \text{if } x_i < 0 \forall i \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$\theta \in [1, 2]$. We use $\theta = 1.1$.

Correlations: away-side ridge

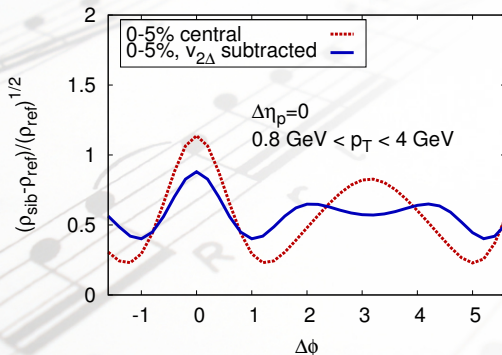
Untriggered $\Delta\eta - \Delta\phi$ correlations from viscous hydro.



Correlations: Fourier decomposition

Fourier decomposition, subtract the elliptic flow component:

as in B. Alver and G. Roland, Phys.Rev.C81:054905 (2010)



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