Finite volume corrections to moments of charge fluctuations in HIC

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- QCD phase boundary and its O(4) "scaling"
- Higher order moments of conserved charges as probe of QCD criticality in HIC
- Influence of volume fluctuations on charge cumulants
- STAR data & expectations

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Particle yields and their ratio, as well as LGT results at $T < T_c$ are well described by the Hadron Resonance Gas Partition Function .
Budapest-Wuppertal LGT data



O(4) scaling and critical behavior

• Near T_c critical properties obtained from the singular part of the free energy density $F = F_{reg} + F_S$ with $F_S(t, h) = b^{-d} F(b^{1/v}t, b^{\beta\delta/v}h)$ with $t = \frac{T - T_c}{T_c} + \kappa \left(\frac{\mu}{T_c}\right)^2$ 2.00 Phase transition encoded in 1.50 m_l/m_s=2/5 the "equation of state" $\langle \sigma \rangle = -\frac{\partial F_s}{\partial h} \Rightarrow$ pseudo-critical line 1.00 F. Karsch et al 0.50 all masses $\frac{\langle \sigma \rangle}{h^{1/\delta}} = F_h(z) , \quad z = t h^{-1/\beta\delta}$ t/h^{1/βδ} 0.00

O(4) scaling of net-baryon number fluctuations

The fluctuations are quantified by susceptibilities $\chi_B^{(n)} = \frac{\partial^n (P/T^4)}{\partial (\mu_B/T)^n} \coloneqq c_n \quad \text{with} \quad P = P_{reg} + P_{Singular}$

From free energy and scaling function one gets

$$\chi_{B}^{(n)} \approx \chi_{r}^{(n)} + c h^{2-\alpha-n/2} f_{\pm}^{(n/2)}(z) \quad \text{for } \mu = 0 \text{ and } n \text{ even}$$

$$\chi_{B}^{(n)} \approx \chi_{r}^{(n)} + c_{\mu} h^{2-\alpha-n} f_{\pm}^{(n)}(z) \quad \text{for } \mu \neq 0$$

Resulting in singular structures in n-th order moments which appear for $n \ge 6$ at $\mu = 0$ and for $n \ge 3$ at $\mu \ne 0$ since $\alpha \approx -0.2$ in O(4) univ. class

Kurtosis as an excellent probe of deconfinement



HRG factorization of pressure:

$$P^{B}(T, \mu_{q}) = F(T) \cosh(3\mu_{q}/T)$$

consequently: $c_4 / c_2 = 9$ in HRG In QGP, $SB = 6 / \pi^2$

Kurtosis=Ratio of cumulants

$$c_{4}^{q} / c_{2}^{q} = \frac{\langle (\delta N_{q})^{4} \rangle}{\langle (\delta N_{q})^{2} \rangle} - 3 < (\delta N_{q})^{2} >$$

excellent probe of deconfinement

Deconfinement is density driven - (percolation)



Kurtosis of net quark number density in PQM model V. Skokov, B. Friman &K.R.

 For T < T_c
 the assymptotic value due to "confinement" properties

$$\frac{P_{q\bar{q}}(T)}{T^4} \approx \frac{2N_f}{27\pi^2} \left(\frac{3m_q}{T}\right)^2 K_2 \left(\frac{3m_q}{T}\right) \cosh \frac{3\mu_q}{T}$$
$$\Longrightarrow \quad c_4 / c_2 = 9$$

For $T >> T_c$ $\frac{P_{q\bar{q}}(T)}{T^4} = N_f N_c [\frac{1}{2\pi^2} (\frac{\mu}{T})^4 + \frac{1}{6} (\frac{\mu}{T})^2 + \frac{7\pi^2}{180}]$ $rac{1}{2\pi^2} C_4 / C_2 = 6 / \pi^2$



 Smooth change with a very weak dependence on the pion mass

Ratios of cumulants at finite density



Deviations of the ratios of odd and even order cumulants from their asymptotic, low T-value, $c_4 / c_2 = c_3 / c_1 = 9$ are increasing with μ/T and the cumulant order Properties essential in HIC to discriminate the phase change by measuring baryon number fluctuations !

Comparison of the Hadron Resonance Gas Model with STAR data



RHIC data follow
generic properties
expected within
HRG model for
different ratios of
the first four
moments of baryon
number fluctuations

Error Estimation for Moments Analysis: Xiaofeng Luo arXiv:1109.0593v

STAR analysis:



Deviations from HRG
Critical behavior?
Conservation laws?
M. Bleicher
A. Bzdak, V. Koch, V.Skokov ARXIV:1203.4529
Volume fluctuations?

B. Friman, V.Skokov &K.R.

Ratio of higher order cumulants



Deviations of the ratios from their asymptotic, low T-value, are increasing with the order of the cumulant

Theoretical predictions and STAR data

Deviation from HRG if freeze-out curve close to Phase Boundary/Cross over line L. Chen, BNL workshop, CPOD 2011 STAR Data



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Moments obtained from probability distributions

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$$\langle N^k \rangle = \sum_N N^k P(N)$$

Probability quantified by all cumulants

$$P(N) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{0}^{2\pi} dy \exp[iyN - \chi(iy)]$$

Cumulants generating function: $\chi(y) = \beta V[p(T, y + \mu) - p(T, \mu)] = \sum_{k} \chi_{k} y^{k}$

In statistical physics

$$P(N) = \frac{Z_C(N)}{Z_{GC}} e^{\frac{\mu N}{T}}$$

Probability distribution of the net baryon number

 For the net baryon number P(N) is described as Skellam distribution

$$P(N) = \left(\frac{B}{\overline{B}}\right)^{N/2} I_N(2\sqrt{B\overline{B}}) \exp[-(B+\overline{B})]$$

 P(N) for net baryon number N entirely given by measured mean number of baryons *B* and antibaryons *B*

In HRG the means $B, \overline{B} \square F(T_f, \mu_f, V)$ are functions of thermal parameters at Chemical Freezeout

Comparing HRG Model with preliminary STAR data: efficiency uncorrected



Influence of criticality on the shape of P(N)



At the critical point (CP) the width of P(N) should be larger than that expected in the HRG due to divergence of χ_B in 3d Ising model universality class

Influence of O(4) criticality on P(N)

Consider Landau model:
$$\Omega = \Omega_{bg} + \frac{1}{2}t_{\mu}^{2}\sigma^{2} + \frac{1}{4}\sigma^{4}$$

$$\begin{split} \Omega_0 &\equiv \Omega(T > T_c(\mu), \mu) = \Omega_{\text{bg}} \\ \Omega_1 &\equiv \Omega(T \le T_c(\mu), \mu) = \Omega_{\text{bg}} - \frac{1}{4} |t_{\mu}|^{2-\alpha}(T, \mu) \\ \end{split} \quad \begin{split} \Omega_{\text{bg}} &= 2d \cosh(\mu/T) \\ t_{\mu}(T, \mu) \approx A(T - T_c) + B\mu^2 \\ \vdots \\ \end{split}$$

Scaling properties:

Mean Field
$$\alpha = 0$$
 \sim $c_1^{\text{sing}} = -B\mu |t_\mu|, \quad c_2^{\text{sing}} = -B|t_\mu| + 2B^2 \mu^2$
 $c_3^{\text{sing}} = 6B\mu^2, \quad c_4^{\text{sing}} = 6B^2.$

O(4) scaling $\alpha \approx -0.21$ \square $c_n^{\text{sing}} \sim -\mu^n |t_\mu|^{2-\alpha-n}$ $n \ge 3 \implies c_n^{\sin g} \to \infty$

Contribution of a singular part to P(N)

$$P(N) = \frac{Z(N,T,V)}{Z_{GC}} e^{\frac{\mu N}{T}} P^{NS}(N;T,V,\mu) = I_N(2dVT^3)e^{(\mu N + \Omega_0)/T}$$

$$\sum_{\substack{z_{C}^{MF}(T,V,N) = e^{\frac{VT^3}{4}[(t+2)^2+2]} \\ \times \sum_{\ell=-\infty}^{\infty} I_{N-2\ell}[(2d-t-2)VT^3]I_\ell\left(\frac{VT^3}{2}\right)}}{Non-singular}$$

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Influence of volume fluctuations on cumulants



Probability distribution at fixed V $P(N, V) = \left(\frac{B}{\overline{B}}\right)^{N/2} I_N(2V\sqrt{n_B n_{\overline{B}}}) \exp[-V(n_B + n_{\overline{B}})]$ Moments of net charge $< N^k >= \sum_{N=-\infty}^{N=\infty} N^k P(N)$

Cumulants

central moment

$$\begin{aligned}
\kappa_1 &= \frac{1}{V} < N > \\
\kappa_2 &= \frac{1}{V} < (\delta N)^2 > \\
\kappa_3 &= \frac{1}{V} < (\delta N)^3 > \\
\kappa_4 &= \frac{1}{V} (< (\delta N)^4 > -3 < (\delta N)^2 >^2
\end{aligned}$$

Net charge Moments with Volume fluctuations

Denote P(V) the probability distribution of volume V then

Moments of volume fluctuations: $\langle V^n \rangle = \int V^n P(V) dV$ Cumulants of volume fluctuations: $v_2 = \frac{1}{V} \langle (\delta V)^2 \rangle = \langle V^2 \rangle - \langle V \rangle^2, ... v_n = ...$

Moments of net charge for fluctuating volume:

$$\langle N^k \rangle_{V} = \int dV P(V) \sum_{N=-\infty}^{N=\infty} N^k P(N, V)$$

Corresponding Cumulants:

$$c_2 = <(\delta N)^2 >_V, \dots c_n = \dots$$

Volume fluctuations and the higher order cumulants for Skellam distribution

apply generating function for
$$I_n(x)$$
: $e^{\frac{z}{2}(t+\frac{1}{t})} = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} t^n I_n(z)$.

apply the relation

$$\left(t\frac{\partial}{\partial t}\right)^k e^{\frac{z}{2}(t+\frac{1}{t})} = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} n^k t^n I_k(z)$$

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Get cumulants that include volume fluctuations:

$$c_{2} = \kappa_{2} + \kappa_{1}^{2} v_{2}$$

$$c_{3} = \kappa_{3} + \kappa_{1}^{3} v_{3} + 3\kappa_{2} \kappa_{1} v_{2}$$

$$c_{4} = \kappa_{4} + \kappa_{1}^{4} v_{4} + 6\kappa_{2} \kappa_{1}^{2} v_{3} + 4\kappa_{3} \kappa_{1} v_{2} + 3\kappa_{2}^{2} v_{2}$$

For $v_n = 0$ one recovers cumulants for the fixed volume

Volume fluctuations and higher order cumulants in PQM model in FRG approach

General expression for any P(N): $B_{n,i}$ - Bell polynomials $c_n = \sum_{i=1}^n v_n B_{n,i}(\kappa_1, \kappa_2, \cdots, \kappa_{n-i+1})$



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Conclusions:

- Hadron resonance gas provides reference for O(4) critical behavior in HIC and LGT results
- Probability distributions and higher order cumulants are excellent probes of O(4) criticality in HIC
- Observed deviations of the χ_6 / χ_2 from the HRG as expected at the O(4) pseudo-critical line
- Shrinking of P(N) from the HRG follows expectations of the O(4) criticality

Ratios of cumulants $d_4^{\ \varrho} / d_2^{\ \varrho}$ with $d_n^{\ \varrho} = \frac{\partial^n \ln Z}{\partial (\mu_Q / T)^n} |_{\mu=0}$

