

# Dynamical description of fluctuations in heavy-ion collisions

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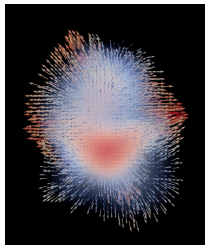
# Transport models vs. grand-canonical ensemble

In a grand-canonical ensemble, the system is

- in thermal equilibrium (= long-lived),
- in equilibrium with a particle heat bath,
- spatially infinite
- and static.

Systems created in heavy-ion collisions are

- short-lived,
- spatially small,
- inhomogeneous,
- and highly dynamical!



plot by H. Petersen, madai.us

- Transport models take the microcanonical nature of individual particle scatterings into account.

# Baryon-number conservation: toy model

Baryon-number conservation limits fluctuations of net-baryon number.

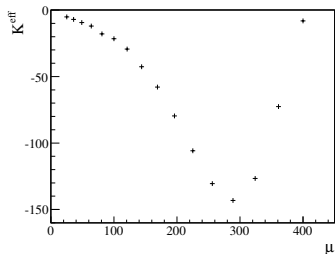
$$P_\mu(N, C) = \mathcal{N}(\mu, C) e^{-\mu} \frac{\mu^N}{N!} \quad \text{on } [\mu - C, \mu + C]$$

$\mu$ : the expectation value of the original Poisson distribution,  $\mathcal{N}(\mu, C)$ : normalization factor,  $C > 0$ : cut parameter

$$C = \alpha \sqrt{\mu} \left( 1 - \left( \frac{\mu}{N_{\text{tot}}} \right)^2 \right).$$

$\alpha = 3$ ,  $N_{\text{tot}} = 416$ .

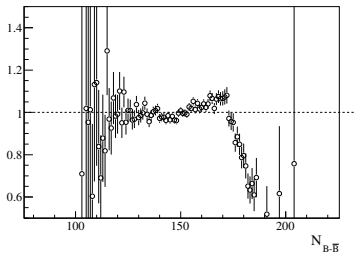
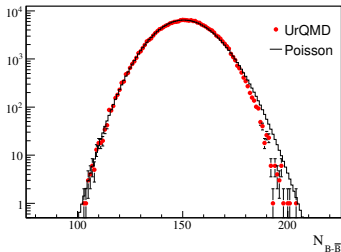
- An increase of the average net-baryon number does not lead to stronger fluctuations.
- At the upper limit of  $N_{\text{tot}} = 416$  the distribution changes to a  $\delta$ -function ( $K_\delta^{\text{eff}} = 0$ ).



# Net-baryon number distribution in UrQMD

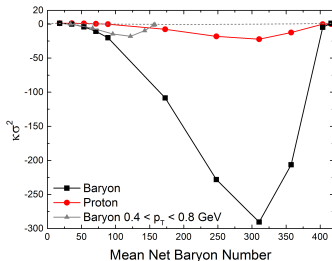
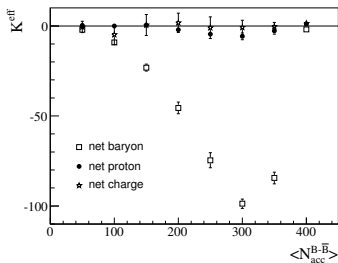
- central Pb+Pb collisions at  $E_{\text{lab}} = 20\text{A GeV}$
- fit to a Poisson distribution
- shoulders are enhanced
- tails are cut

$$\Rightarrow \text{decrease from } K_{\text{Poisson}}^{\text{eff}} = 1 \text{ to } K_{\text{UrQMD}}^{\text{eff}} = -22.2$$



ratio of UrQMD to Poisson distribution

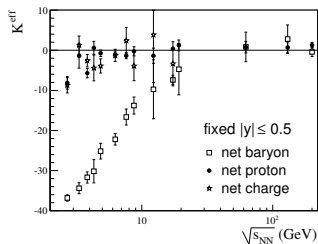
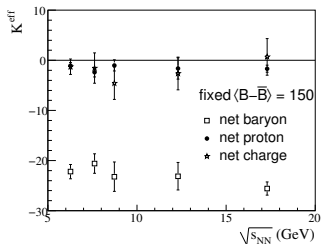
# Rapidity window dependence of the effective kurtosis



by J. Steinheimer

- Same qualitative behavior of the net-baryon kurtosis as expected from the toy model.
- $E_{\text{lab}} = 158 \text{ A GeV}$
- The net-proton kurtosis only slightly follows this trend.
- The net-charge kurtosis is not affected, but error bars are larger.

# Energy dependence of the effective kurtosis



- adapting the rapidity window to fix the mean net-baryon number
- net-baryon effective kurtosis does not show an energy dependence
- for lower  $\sqrt{s}$   $K^{\text{eff}}$  becomes increasingly negative
- at  $E_{\text{lab}} = 2A\text{GeV}$ :  $\langle N_{B-\bar{B}} \rangle \simeq 240$

# Difficulties in the transport calculations

- large statistics are needed (more than in our old analysis)
- very involved experimental analysis - crucial to repeat (some of the same procedures)
- error estimates in most theory calculations not very accurate
- + Skewness?
- +  $p_T$ -range dependence?
- + Fluctuations of strangeness? (Why do they not show the conservation laws?)
- There is no phase transition in UrQMD...

# Fluctuations at the phase transition

At a **critical point**

- correlation length of fluctuations of the order parameter diverges  $\xi \rightarrow \infty$
- fluctuations of the order parameter diverge:  $\langle \Delta \sigma^n \rangle \propto \xi^\alpha$  with higher powers of divergence for higher moments
- mean-field studies in Ginzburg-Landau theories, beyond mean-field: renormalization group
- relaxation time diverges  $\Rightarrow$  critical slowing down!  
 $\Rightarrow$  **fluctuations in equilibrated systems!**

... and a **first-order PT**:

- at  $T_c$  coexistence of two stable thermodynamic phases
- metastable states above and below  $T_c \Rightarrow$  supercooling and -heating
- nucleation and spinodal decomposition in nonequilibrium
- domain formation and large inhomogeneities  
 $\Rightarrow$  **fluctuations in nonequilibrium!**

... but also at the **crossover**:

- remnant of the  $O(4)$  universality class in the chiral limit.  
 $\Rightarrow$  **fluctuations in equilibrated systems!**



# Nonequilibrium chiral fluid dynamics ( $N_\chi$ FD)

IDEA: combine the dynamical propagation of fluctuations at the phase transition with fluid dynamical expansion!

(model-independent is nice, but in the end some real input is needed...)

- Langevin equation for the sigma field: damping and noise from the interaction with the quarks

$$\partial_\mu \partial^\mu \sigma + \frac{\delta U}{\delta \sigma} + g \rho_s + \eta \partial_t \sigma = \zeta$$

- Phenomenological dynamics for the Polyakov-loop

$$\eta_\ell \partial_t \ell T^2 + \frac{\partial V_{\text{eff}}}{\partial \ell} = \zeta_\ell$$

- Fluid dynamical expansion of the quark fluid = heat bath, including energy-momentum exchange

$$\partial_\mu T_q^{\mu\nu} = S^\nu = -\partial_\mu T_\sigma^{\mu\nu}, \quad \partial_\mu N_q^\mu = 0$$

⇒ includes a stochastic source term!

# Dynamical slowing down

Phenomenological equation:  $\frac{d}{dt} m_\sigma(t) = -\Gamma[m_\sigma(t)](m_\sigma(t) - \frac{1}{\bar{\zeta}_{\text{eq}}(t)})$   
with input from the dynamical universality class  $\Rightarrow \bar{\zeta} \sim 1.5 - 2.5 \text{ fm}$

B. Berdnikov and K. Rajagopal, PRD **61** (2000)

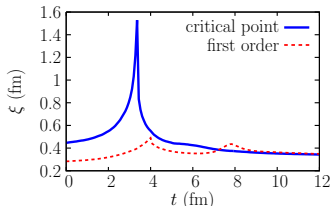
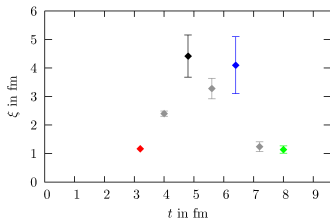
More advanced: Expanded Fokker-Planck dynamics by S. Mukherjee et al. 1506.00645

$$G(r) = \int d^3x d^3y \langle \sigma(x) - \sigma_0 \rangle \langle \sigma(y) - \sigma_0 \rangle$$
$$\sim \exp(-r/\bar{\zeta})$$

From the curvature of  $V_{\text{eff}}$ :

$$\langle \bar{\zeta}^2 \rangle = \langle 1/m_\sigma^2 \rangle = \left\langle \left( \frac{d^2 V_{\text{eff}}}{d\sigma^2} \right)^{-1} \right\rangle$$

Assume  $\sigma_0$  is the volume averaged field.



C. Herold, MN, I. Mishustin, M. Bleicher PRC **87** (2013)

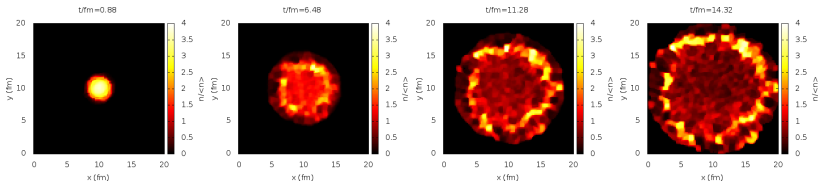
Definition of  $\bar{\zeta}$  in inhomogeneous systems involves averaging!

$\Rightarrow$  Similar magnitude of  $\bar{\zeta} \sim 1.5 - 3 \text{ fm}$ !

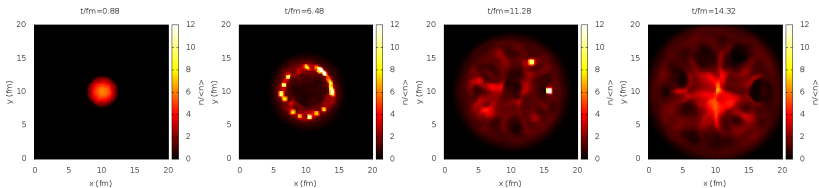
# PQM vs. QH model: stability of droplets

See also: J. Steinheimer, J. Randrup, V. Koch PRC89 (2014)

## PQM EoS



## QH EoS

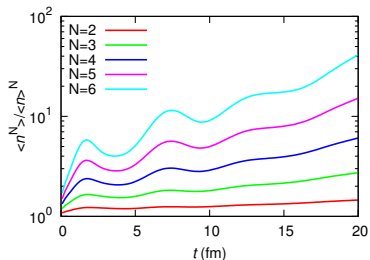


- Dynamical and stochastic droplet formation at the phase transition and subsequent decay in the hadronic phase.

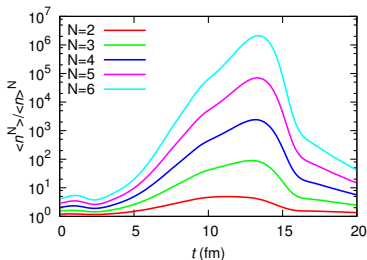
# PQM vs. QH model: moments of net-baryon density

Define normalized moments of the net-baryon density distribution as:

$$\langle n^N \rangle = \int d^3x n(x)^N P_n(x) \quad \text{with} \quad P_n(x) = \frac{n(x)}{\int d^3x n(x)}$$



PQM EoS



QH EoS

- Infinite increase in the PQM.
- Increase in the HQ model around the phase transition followed by a rapid decrease due to pressure in the hadronic phase!
- REMEMBER: We started with smooth initial conditions and all inhomogeneities are formed dynamically!

# From densities fluctuations to particle fluctuations

- From densities to particle via Cooper-Frye particlization:

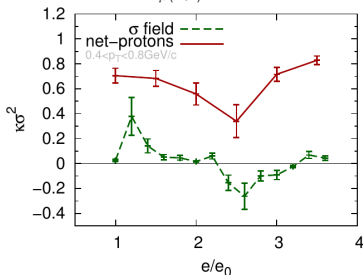
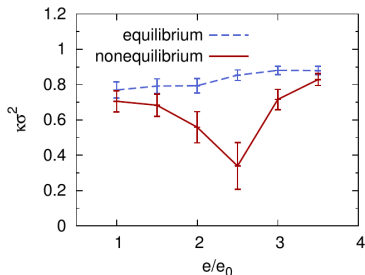
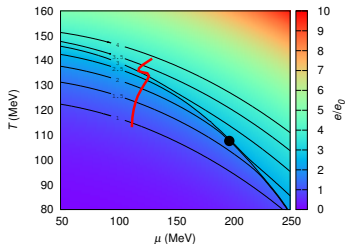
$$E \frac{dN_i}{d^3p} = \int d\sigma^\mu p_\mu (f_i^{\text{eq}}(\mathbf{p}) + \delta f)$$

- Sampled from a single-particle distribution function  $\Rightarrow$  (partially) destroys correlations.
- Modify the single-particle distribution functions or the entire particlization procedure?

For single-particle distribution :  $m_i \rightarrow m_{i,0} + g\sigma(x)$

# First net-proton fluctuations from $N_\chi$ FD

- Here: Only couple the densities of the order parameter field with the fluid dynamical densities.



UrQMD initial conditions rescaled to the EoS of the effective model.

# The critical mode

- At  $\mu_B \neq 0$   $\sigma$  mixes with the net-baryon density  $n$  (and  $e$  and  $\vec{m}$ )
- In a Ginzburg-Landau formalism:

$$V(\sigma, n) = \int d^3x \left( \sum_m (a_m \sigma^m + b_m n^m) + \sum_{m,l} c_{m,l} \sigma^m n^l \right) - h\sigma - jn$$

- $V(\sigma, n)$  is flat in  $(a\sigma, bn)$  direction
- Equations of motion (including symmetries in  $V(\sigma, n)$ ):

$$\partial_t^2 \sigma = -\Gamma \delta V / \delta \sigma + \dots$$

$$\partial_t n = \gamma \vec{\nabla}^2 \delta V / \delta n + \dots$$

- two time scales (with diffusion  $D \rightarrow 0$  at the critical point)

$$\omega_1 \propto -i\Gamma a$$

$$\omega_2 \propto -i\gamma D \vec{q}^2$$

- The diffusive mode becomes the critical mode in the long-time dynamics. These fluctuations need to be included at the critical point!

# Fluid dynamical fluctuations

Conventional fluid dynamics propagates thermal averages of the energy density, pressure, velocities, charge densities, etc.

However, ...

- ... already in equilibrium there are thermal fluctuations
- ... the fast processes, which lead to local equilibration also lead to noise!

Conventional ideal fluid dynamics:

$$\mathcal{T}^{\mu\nu} = \mathcal{T}_{\text{eq}}^{\mu\nu}$$

$$\mathcal{N}^{\mu} = \mathcal{N}_{\text{eq}}^{\mu}$$



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- $\langle T^{\mu\nu} T^{\mu\nu} \rangle$  give viscosities (Kubo-formula), consistently with dissipation-fluctuation theorem fluctuations need to be included as well!

# Fluid dynamical fluctuations

The noise terms are such that averaged quantities exactly equal the conventional quantities:

$$\begin{aligned}\langle T^{\mu\nu} \rangle &= T_{\text{eq}}^{\mu\nu} + \Delta T_{\text{visc}}^{\mu\nu} & \text{with } \langle \Xi^{\mu\nu} \rangle &= 0 \\ \langle N^{\mu} \rangle &= N_{\text{eq}}^{\mu} + \Delta N_{\text{visc}}^{\mu} & \text{with } \langle \mathbf{I}^{\mu} \rangle &= 0\end{aligned}$$

The two formulations will, however, differ when one calculates correlation functions:

$$\begin{aligned}\langle T^{\mu\nu}(x) T^{\mu\nu}(x') \rangle \\ \langle N^{\mu}(x) N^{\mu}(x') \rangle\end{aligned}$$

# Fluid dynamical fluctuations

In linear response theory the retarded correlator

- $\langle T^{\mu\nu}(x) T^{\mu\nu}(x') \rangle$  gives the viscosities and
- $\langle N^\mu(x) N^\mu(x') \rangle$  the charge conductivities

via the dissipation-fluctuation theorem (Kubo-formula)!

It means that when dissipation is included also fluctuations need to be included!

CAUTION: If nonlinearities are included fluid dynamical fluctuations contribute to the transport coefficients!

- ⇒ absolute lower limit for the effective viscosity!
- ⇒ non-analytic contribution to  $\tau_\pi$ , breakdown of gradient expansion!

P. Kovtun, G. D. Moore, P. Romatschke, PRD84 (2011); C. Chafin, T. Schäfer, PRA87 (2013); P. Romatschke, R. E. Young, PRA87 (2013)

# Fluid dynamical fluctuations

- Linearized fluid dynamical equations: small fluctuations  $\bar{e} + \delta e$ ,  $\bar{p} + \delta p$  and  $\delta v^i$  with:  $\delta T^{00} = \delta e$  and  $\delta T^{ij} = m^i = (\bar{e} + \bar{p})v^i = \bar{w}v^i$

$$\partial_t \mathbf{m}_\perp + \eta / \bar{w} \mathbf{k}^2 \mathbf{m}_\perp = 0$$

$$\partial_t \delta e + i \mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{m}_\parallel = 0$$

$$\partial_t \mathbf{m}_\parallel + i v_s^2 \mathbf{k} \delta e + \gamma_v \mathbf{k}^2 \mathbf{m}_\parallel = 0$$

- retarded Green's function for  $\delta e$  and  $\mathbf{m}_\parallel$ :

$$\mathbf{G}_{ab}^{\text{ret}}(\omega, \mathbf{k}) = \frac{\bar{w}}{\omega^2 - v_s^2 \mathbf{k}^2 + i \omega \gamma_s \mathbf{k}^2} \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{k}^2 & \omega |\mathbf{k}| \\ \omega |\mathbf{k}| & v_s^2 \mathbf{k}^2 - i \omega \gamma_s \mathbf{k}^2 \end{pmatrix}$$

- including the transverse momentum density:

$$\mathbf{G}_{m_i, m_j}^{\text{ret}}(\omega, \mathbf{k}) = \left( \delta_{ij} - \frac{k_i k_j}{\mathbf{k}^2} \right) \frac{\eta \mathbf{k}^2}{i \omega - \gamma_\eta \mathbf{k}^2} + \frac{k_i k_j}{\mathbf{k}^2} \frac{\bar{w} (v_s^2 \mathbf{k}^2 - i \omega \gamma_s \mathbf{k}^2)}{\omega^2 - v_s^2 \mathbf{k}^2 + i \omega \gamma_s \mathbf{k}^2}$$

- Kubo-formulas for viscosities:

$$\eta = - \frac{\omega}{2 \mathbf{k}^2} \left( \delta_{ij} - \frac{k_i k_j}{\mathbf{k}^2} \right) \Im \mathbf{G}_{m_i, m_j}^{\text{ret}}(\omega, \mathbf{k} \rightarrow 0)$$

$$\zeta + \frac{4}{3} \eta = - \frac{\omega^3}{\mathbf{k}^4} \Im \mathbf{G}_{ee}^{\text{ret}}(\omega, \mathbf{k} \rightarrow 0)$$

# Fluid dynamical fluctuations

$$\begin{aligned}
 \frac{\partial}{\partial x^\mu} \frac{\partial}{\partial x'^\mu} \langle \Xi^{\mu 0}(x) \Xi^{\mu 0}(x') \rangle^S &= - \frac{\partial}{\partial x^\mu} \frac{\partial}{\partial x'^\mu} \langle T^{\mu 0}(x) T^{\mu 0}(x') \rangle^S \\
 &= \int \frac{d\omega}{2\pi} \int \frac{d^3k}{(2\pi)^3} e^{i\mathbf{k}(\mathbf{x}-\mathbf{x}')} e^{-i\omega(t-t')} \times \\
 &\quad \times \left( \omega^2 \underbrace{G_{ee}^S(\omega, \mathbf{k})}_{\text{FDT}} - 2\omega|\mathbf{k}| \underbrace{G_{em_\parallel}^S(\omega, \mathbf{k})}_{\text{FDT}} + \mathbf{k}^2 \underbrace{G_{m_\parallel m_\parallel}^S(\omega, \mathbf{k})}_{\text{FDT}} \right) \\
 &\quad G_{ab}^S(\omega, \mathbf{k}) = -\frac{2T}{\omega} \Im G_{ab}^{\text{ret}}(\omega, \mathbf{k}) \\
 &= 0
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
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 &= 2T \left[ \left( \zeta + \frac{4}{3}\eta \right) \partial_i \partial_j + \eta (\delta_{ij} \nabla^2 - \partial_i \partial_j) \right] \delta^4(x - x')
 \end{aligned}$$

Then boost to arbitrary frame:

# Fluid dynamical fluctuations

$$\begin{aligned}T^{\mu\nu} &= T_{\text{eq}}^{\mu\nu} + \Delta T_{\text{visc}}^{\mu\nu} + \Xi^{\mu\nu} \\ N^\mu &= N_{\text{eq}}^\mu + \Delta N_{\text{visc}}^\mu + I^\mu\end{aligned}$$

with

$$\langle \Xi^{\mu\nu}(x) \Xi^{\alpha\beta}(x') \rangle = 2T[\eta(\Delta^{\mu\alpha}\Delta^{\nu\beta} + \Delta^{\mu\beta}\Delta^{\nu\alpha}) + (\zeta - 2/3\eta)\Delta^{\mu\nu}\Delta^{\alpha\beta}]\delta^4(x - x')$$

- In second-order fluid dynamics there are relaxation equations for  $\Xi^{\mu\nu}$ :

$$u^\gamma \partial_\gamma \Xi^{\langle\mu\nu\rangle} = -\frac{\Xi^{\mu\nu} - \zeta_{\text{gauss}}^{\mu\nu}}{\tau_\pi}$$

- In white noise approximation and ignoring bulk viscosity ( $\zeta = 0$ ):

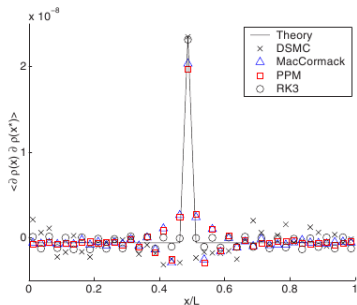
$$\langle \zeta_{\text{gauss}}^{\mu\nu}(x) \zeta_{\text{gauss}}^{\alpha\beta}(x') \rangle = 4T\eta\Delta^{\mu\nu\alpha\beta}\delta^{(4)}(x - x')$$



# Fluid dynamical fluctuations

- In a numerical treatment  $\rightarrow$  discretization:  $\langle \xi^2 \rangle \propto \frac{1}{\Delta V}$
- $\Rightarrow$  large fluctuations from cell to cell  $\Rightarrow$  coarse-graining, smearing, etc. compare to expectations from equilibrium and MC kinetic theory!

- Example: non-relativistic Navier-Stokes + fluctuations
- 1d, dilute gas, periodic boundary conditions



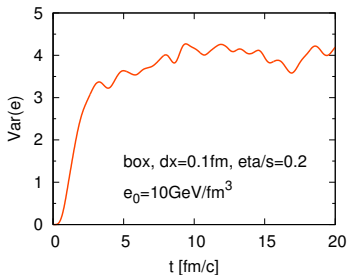
J. Bell, A. Garcia, S. Williams, PRE76 (2007)

- Different algorithms treat fluctuations differently, third-order methods seem to work best.

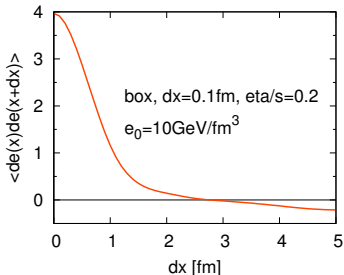
# Fluid dynamical fluctuations

- Static box with periodic boundary conditions in relativistic 3 + 1d fluid dynamics  
based on 3 + 1d viscous fluid dynamical code by Y. Karpenko.
- Noise correlated over 1 fm<sup>3</sup>

time evolution of the variance  $\langle \delta e^2 \rangle$ :

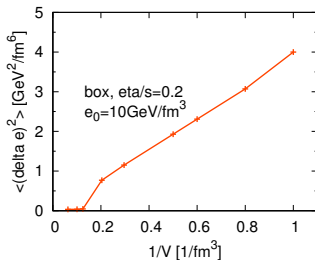
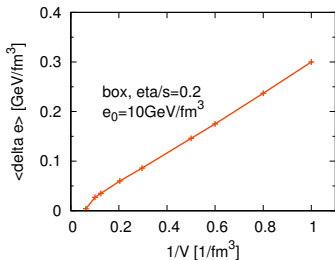


$\langle \delta e(x) \delta e(x + dx) \rangle$  correlation function:



- Initial increase of the variance  $\rightarrow$  saturation (thermalization?) at later times.
- Noise-correlation length recovered.

# Fluid dynamical fluctuations



- Reduction of the pressure due to the nonlinearities in the fluctuations.
- Variance of energy density fluctuations approximately 30 – 40% of what is expected in a grandcanonical ensemble.
- NEXT: include net-baryon number density, diffusion and fluctuations.

# Conclusions

- How to propagate fluctuations at the phase transition?
- How to propagate fluctuations at the phase transition consistently with an expanding, inhomogeneous medium?
- How to connect fluctuations/correlations at each stage consistently?  
Preequilibrium initial state  $\rightarrow$  fluid dynamics  $\rightarrow$  particles.
- Plea to experiments: please provide  $p_T$ -spectra, etc. for model tuning!

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# The Kurtosis

The kurtosis is a measure of the deviation of fluctuations from Gaussian statistical fluctuations.

$$\begin{aligned}\langle \Delta X_i \Delta X_j \Delta X_k \Delta X_l \rangle &\sim \langle \Delta X_i \Delta X_j \rangle \langle \Delta X_k \Delta X_l \rangle \\ &+ \langle \Delta X_i \Delta X_k \rangle \langle \Delta X_j \Delta X_l \rangle \\ &+ \langle \Delta X_i \Delta X_l \rangle \langle \Delta X_j \Delta X_k \rangle\end{aligned}$$

$\Rightarrow \langle \Delta X^4 \rangle - 3\langle \Delta X^2 \rangle^2 = 0$  in the Gaussian approximation.

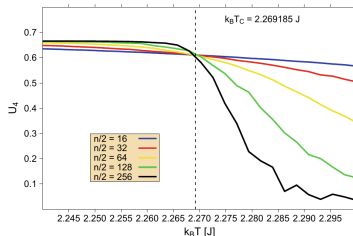
compare to *Binder cumulant* for eg. 2d Ising model:

$$U = 1 - \frac{\langle M^4 \rangle}{\langle M^2 \rangle^2}$$

=  $0 + \mathcal{O}(1/V)$  in symmetric phase

=  $U^* = 2/3$  at  $T = T_c$

=  $2/3 + \mathcal{O}(1/V)$  in the broken phase



T. Preis et al., JCP228 (2009)

# Kurtosis in thermal models (confined phase)

## Hadron Resonance Gas model:

contains hadrons as relevant d.o.f. & interactions that result in resonance formation

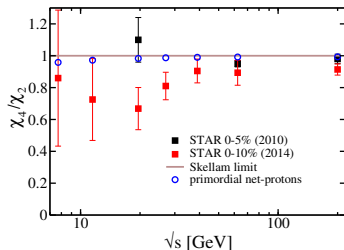
- good description of lattice QCD equation of state
- rather well description of continuum-extrapolated lattice QCD susceptibility results, cf. [1507.04627](#)

in Boltzmann approximation net-numbers of conserved charges follow a Skellam distribution, i.e.  $\kappa_B \sigma_B^2 = 1$

→ cannot capture non-thermal fluctuations

early comparison with STAR net-proton number fluctuations [F. Karsch, K. Redlich, PLB 695, 136 \(2011\)](#)

but net-proton  $\neq$  net-baryon ...



STAR, PRL 105, 22302 (2010); STAR, PRL 112, 032302 (2014)

# Kurtosis in thermal models (confined phase)

- resonance decays affect net-distributions of identified particles:

average influence (thermal fluctuations of resonance numbers)  $\leftrightarrow$  HRG in partial chemical equilibrium

in reality multinomial distribution

$\rightarrow$  probabilistic effect erasing non-Gaussianities

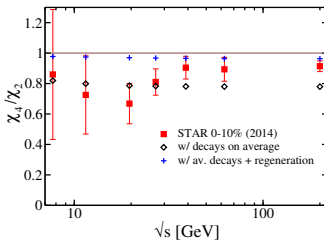
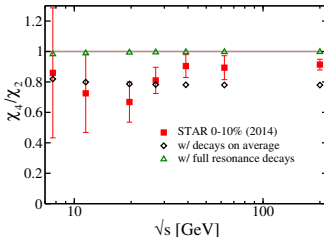
- regeneration of resonances:

$\rho(n) + \pi \rightarrow \Delta \rightarrow n(\rho) + \pi$

can lead to (complete) isospin randomization, M. Kitazawa, M. Asakawa, PRC 86,

024904 (2012)

$\rightarrow$  similar effect on non-Gaussianities



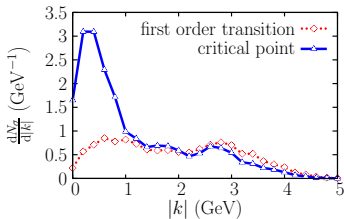
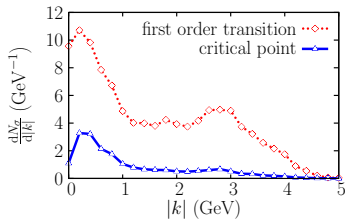
MN et al., 1402.1238

... (global) conservation of baryon number, A. Bzdak et al., PRC87, 014901 (2013); M. Sakaida et al., PRC90, 064911 (2014), ...



# Dynamics versus equilibration

- Static box with temperature quench to  $T < T_c$ .
- Fluctuations of the order parameter:



- Strong enhancement of the intensities for a first-order phase transition **during the evolution**.
- Strong enhancement of the intensities for a critical point scenario **after equilibration**.