Experimental investigations of relativistic hydrodynamics and the ideal fluid scenario at RHIC

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Hydrodynamic evolution



Equation of State

- Hagedorn resonance gas (EOS H)
- ideal gas of massless partons (EOS I)
- first-order phase transition at Tc = 164 MeV (EOS Q)



Hydrodynamic spacetime evolution



Initial state: pQCD + saturation Boundaries of Mixed Phase between QGP and Hadron Resonance Gas at Tc = 167 MeV are shown in colored curves 6/25/08 emmi seminar

Energy density



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Energy density

- Initial condition: pQCD + final state saturation model(minijet)
- Formation time: 0.170 fm/c(RHIC) 0.100 fm/c(LHC)
- Saturation scale: 1.16 GeV(RHIC) 2.03 GeV(LHC)
- Strong dependence on initial time



Particle spectrum





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The Blastwave Function



- Increasing T has similar effect on a spectrum as increasing β_s
- Flow profile (n) matters at lower m_T!
- Need high quality data down to low- m_T

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Direct Flow



*Ref. [1]

Elliptic Flow (v2)



Time evolution of anisotropy



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Centrality dependence



Pt dependence



*Ref. [1]

Energy dependence



HBT effect

• Correlation function:

$$C(\boldsymbol{q},\boldsymbol{K}) = \frac{E_1 E_2 \frac{\mathrm{d}N}{\mathrm{d}^3 \boldsymbol{p}_1 \mathrm{d}^3 \boldsymbol{p}_2}}{E_1 \frac{\mathrm{d}N}{\mathrm{d} \boldsymbol{p}_1} E_2 \frac{\mathrm{d}N}{\mathrm{d} \boldsymbol{p}_2}},$$

$$C(q, \mathbf{K}) \approx 1 + \exp[-R_o^2(K_T)q_o^2 - R_s^2(K_T)q_s^2 - R_l^2(K_T)q_l^2].$$

where: $q = p_1 - p_2$,

$$K = \frac{1}{2}(p_1 + p_2).$$

Bose–Einstein correlations



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Longitudinal expansion

Duration of expansion (lifetime) τ of the system can be estimated from the transverse momentum dependence of R_{long} :

$$R_{
m long} pprox au \cdot \sqrt{rac{T_f}{m_t}}$$
 Y. Sinyukov

 \Rightarrow

$$\tau = 6.5 - 8 \text{ fm/c}$$
 for $T_f = 120 \text{ MeV}$



1/√m, (1/√GeV/c²)

Transverse Expansion

Transverse momentum dependence of R_{side} allows determination of geometric source size R_{geo} and average transverse flow velocity β_t :

 $R_{\text{side}} \approx R_{\text{geo}} / (1 + m_t \cdot F(T_f, \beta_t))^{\frac{1}{2}}$ U. Heinz *et al.*

 \Rightarrow

 $\beta_t \approx 0.55$ for $T_f = 120$ MeV



HBT in CERES

$$\lambda_f = \frac{1}{\rho_f \cdot \sigma} = \frac{V_f}{N \cdot \sigma},$$

 λ_{f} : mean free path ρ_{f} : freeze-out density V_f: freeze-out volumn



viscosity



Figure 1. A comparison of the viscous and inviscid (Euler) solutions for a Bjorken expansion with radial symmetry. The initial conditions are from P. Kolb's hydrodynamic model [9]. The equation of state is $p = \frac{1}{3}e$. The viscosity is proportional to the entropy $\eta/s = \frac{1}{5}$. (a) The energy density multiplied by τ for various times (b) The fluid velocity for various times.

*Ref. [6]

In analogy



FIG. 3: (Color online) η/s vs $(T - T_c)/T_c$ for several substances as indicated. The calculated values for the meson-gas have an associated error of ~ 50% [38]. The lattice QCD value $T_c = 170$ MeV [4] is assumed for nuclear matter. The lines are drawn to guide the eye.

*Ref. [7]

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summary

- Hydrodynamics model describes particle spectrum well at low p_t
- Effects like energy loss, particle correlation is applied to fit the results
- Anisotropy of the transverse spectrum is a good evidence

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