Methods for event plane determination in flow measurements with HADES at SIS18

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Anisotropic flow & spectators



• Anisotropic flow:

spatial asymmetry of the initial energy distribution transforms via interaction into anisotropic emission of produced particles

 Spectator fragments are bounced off by expanding dense matter in the nuclei overlap region
 ⇒ spectator's deflection can be used to estimate collision symmetry plane

Flow harmonics



The azimuthal angle distribution is decomposed in a Fourier series relative to reaction plane angle:

$$ho(arphi-\Psi_{RP})=rac{1}{2\pi}(1+2\sum_{n=1}^\infty v_n\cos n(arphi-\Psi_{RP}))$$

directed flow:

$$v_1 = \langle \cos{(arphi - \Psi_{RP})}
angle$$

elliptic flow:

$$v_2 = \langle \cos 2(arphi - \Psi_{RP})
angle$$

$v_{\rm n}$ of protons, deuterons and tritons in Au+Au collisions with HADES

Spectator plane resolution correction factor





Details: see talk by B.Kardan (Wed, Aug. 26)

Goal of this presentation

- Test effect of azimuthal non-uniformity corrections on spectator plane resolution and v_n measurement
- Compare different methods of v_n measurements and resolution calculation:
 - Event plane & scalar product
 - Random subevent & extrapolation to full subevent
 - 3 subevents method
- Evaluate systematic uncertainties from spectator plane estimation

Flow vectors

From momentum of each measured particle define a u_n -vector in transverse plane:

$$u_n=e^{in\phi}$$

where $\boldsymbol{\phi}$ is the azimuthal angle

Sum over a group of u_n -vectors in one event forms Q_n -vector:

$$Q_n = rac{\sum_{k=1}^N w_n^k u_n^k}{\sum_{k=1}^N w_n^k} = |Q_n| e^{in \Psi_n^{EP}}$$

 $\Psi_{n}^{\ \text{EP}}$ is the event plane angle



Flow methods for v_1 calculation

Event plane (EP) method:

$$v_1=rac{\langle \cos{(\phi-\Psi_1^{EP})}
angle}{R_1}$$

Resolution correction from random subevent (RND):

$$R_1^{sub}=\sqrt{\langle \cos(\Psi_n^a-\Psi_n^b)
angle}$$

Extrapolation to full event plane is implemented following J.Y. Ollitrault [arXiv:nucl-ex/9711003]

$$\begin{split} R_n(\chi) &= \frac{\sqrt{\pi}}{2} \chi e^{-\frac{\chi^2}{2}} \left[I_{\frac{n-1}{2}} \left(\frac{\chi^2}{2} \right) + I_{\frac{n+1}{2}} \left(\frac{\chi^2}{2} \right) \right] \\ \chi &= \mathsf{v}_n \, \mathcal{M}^{1/2}, \\ \mathcal{M} \text{ is multiplicity in the event} \\ I_k \text{ is the modified Bessel function} \end{split}$$

Scalar product (SP) method:

$$v_1=rac{\langle u_1^aQ_1^a
angle}{R_1}$$

3 subevents (3-sub) resolution correction

$$R_1^a = rac{\sqrt{\langle Q_1^a Q_1^b
angle \langle Q_1^a Q_1^c
angle}}{\sqrt{\langle Q_1^b Q_1^c
angle}}$$

Flow methods for v_2 calculation

Event plane (EP) method:

$$v_2=rac{\langle \cos 2(\phi-\Psi_1^{EP})
angle}{R_2(\Psi_1^{EP})}$$

Mixed harmonics method:

$$v_2=rac{\langle u_2Q_1^aQ_1^b
angle}{R_1^a imes R_1^b}$$

where

2nd harmonic event plane resolution is extrapolated from 1st harmonic RND-sub resolution following the method from J.Y. Ollitrault [arXiv:nucl-ex/9711003]

$$R_1^{a/b} = rac{\sqrt{\langle Q_1^a Q_1^b
angle \langle Q_1^{a/b} Q_1^c
angle }}{\sqrt{\langle Q_1^{b/a} Q_1^c
angle }}$$

The HADES experiment



Tracking system

- Multi-wire drift chambers (MDC)
- Magnet coil

Particle identification

- Time Of Flight (TOF)
- Resistive Plate Chambers (RPC)

Event plane reconstruction

• Forward Wall (FW)

HADES event display & subsystem's acceptance

Au+Au collisions at 1.23GeV (subsample of 10M events) Minimum bias trigger (PT2), 0-40% centrality



Tracking (MDC) and PID (TOF+RPC) $0.09 < \eta < 1.84$



Charged fragments (FW) $2.68 < \eta < 5.38$



Centrality determined from TOF+RPC hits see talk by B.Kardan

Q-vectors for protons and charged fragments

Protons with $p_T < 2 \text{ GeV}/c$

for 2 rapidity regions:

Charged fragments from FW:



Full FW (sum over all modules) $2.68 < \eta < 5.38$ RND-sub: all modules randomly splitted into 2 groups

Rapidity coverage of different subevents



Azimuthal asymmetry of the HADES acceptance

 ϕ -Rapidity yield of protons



Required corrections to reduce effects of non-uniform azimuthal acceptance



Corrections are based on method in: I. Selyuzhenkov and S. Voloshin PRC77, 034904 (2008)

QnTools framework

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Originally implemented as QnCorrections framework for ALICE experiment: J. Onderwaater, I. Selyuzhenkov, V. Gonzalez

QnTools analysis package: https://github.com/HeavyIonAnalysis/QnTools



See Lukas Kreis talk "QnTools framework for flow analyses" (Heidelberg Uni, ALICE Collaboration)

QnTools configuration

Q-vector	Q _n weight	Correction axes	Correction steps	Error calculation	Q _n Normalization
Protons	1	p _T [0.0, 2.00], 10 bins y _{cm} [-0.75, 0.75], 15 bins Centrality, 8 bins	Recentering Twist Rescaling	Bootstrapping,	Sum of Weights
Charged Fragments	Module charge	Centrality, 8 bins	Recentering		

x&y Q_n-vector component correlations



 $\langle Q^a_n Q^b_n
angle = \langle X^a_n X^b_n
angle + \langle Y^a_n Y^b_n
angle$

Expected for ideal detector:

$$egin{aligned} &\langle X^a_n X^b_n
angle &= \langle Y^a_n Y^b_n \ &\langle X^a_n Y^b_n
angle &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

 $\langle Y^a_n X^b_n
angle = 0$

Results for correlations of other Q-vectors pairs from MDC and FW vectors are in the backup

Small differences between x&y components. Cross correlations are consistent with zero.

Q-vector correlations: azimuthal non-uniformity corrections



Q-vector	Correction steps	
Protons	Recentering Twist Rescaling	
Charged Fragments	Recentering	



Residual effects of detector non-uniformity are below 2% Average of x&y components is used for the further analysis

Non-flow correlations in the spectator plane resolution

Resolution of each sub-event can be calculated using different combinations of Q-vectors.

$$R_1^a = rac{\sqrt{\langle Q_1^a Q_1^b
angle \langle Q_1^a Q_1^c
angle}}{\sqrt{\langle Q_1^b Q_1^c
angle}}$$

Ideal case:

without non-flow correlations different estimates are to be consistent

In reality:

Rapidity separation between sub-events reduces "non-flow" (short range) correlations



3

5

η

4

2

Rapidity coverage of different subevents

Quantifying non-flow correlations in R₁



1. Rapidity-separated and unseparated combinations split on two branches

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Resolution estimates with rapidity-separated subevents are consistent with each other within 3-5%. Other combinations deviate by up to ~30% in central collisions

Quantifying non-flow correlations in R₁



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3. Combinations with no rapidity separation deviate from each other

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Systematic uncertainty of directed flow



Results for event plane and scalar production (with rapidity separated subevents) are consistent within stat. uncertainties.

Systematic uncertainty of directed flow



v₁ results with resolution corrections extracted from rapidity separated combinations are consistent for all subevents

Summary of systematic uncertainty for v₁



Overall difference between v_1 with event plane (RND-sub) and scalar product (with rapidity separated combinations) is ~10% in central events and below 5% in mid-central

Elliptic flow: mixed harmonics method

2nd and two 1st harmonic Q-vectors are mixed:

$$v_2=rac{\langle u_2 Q_1^a Q_1^b
angle}{R_1^a imes R_1^b}$$

Resolution correction is a product of two 1st harmonic resolutions:

$$R_1^{a/b} = rac{\sqrt{\langle Q_1^a Q_1^b
angle \langle Q_1^{a/b} Q_1^c
angle }}{\sqrt{\langle Q_1^{b/a} Q_1^c
angle }}$$

Rapidity coverage of different subevents



Quantifying non-flow correlations in R₂



1. Results for combinations with and without rapidity-separation are splitted in two groups

2. Results for rapidity-separated combinations are consistent with each other within 6-10%

3. Results for combinations without rapidity separation differs from each other by up to 50% in central collisions

Systematic uncertainty of elliptic flow



Results for event plane and scalar production (with rapidity separated subevents) in central and mid-central collisions are consistent within stat. uncertainties.

Systematic uncertainty of elliptic flow



v₂ results with resolution corrections extracted from rapidity separated combinations are consistent for all subevents

Summary of systematic uncertainty for v_2

proton v_1 vs. centrality y_{cm} [-0.25; -0.15] p_T [0.0; 2.0] GeV/c

Rapidity separated only are shown



Overall difference between v_2 with event plane (RND-sub) and scalar product (with rapidity separated combinations) is ~20% in central events and below 10% in mid-central

Summary

- Investigated systematic uncertainties in proton's directed and elliptic flow measurement relatively to the spectators symmetry plane
- Implemented scalar product, 3-subevents and mixed harmonics techniques for flow measurement
- After applying corrections for azimuthal acceptance non-uniformity of the detector, the residual effects are found to be below 2%
- From the comparison of event plane (random subevents) and scalar production (three subevents) methods

systematic uncertainty of spectator symmetry plane estimation was evaluated:

- \circ ~ 10% for proton v₁ in most central and < 5% in mid-central collisions
- ~ 20% for proton v_2 in most central and ~ 10% in mid-central collisions

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Backup

Data Selection

Data: Au+Au collisions at 1.23GeV (subsample of 10M events)

Event selection:

- Minimum bias trigger
- vertex on Z: [-60;0] mm
- vertex on XY < 3 mm
- Good Vertex Cluster
- Good Vertex Candidate
- Good START
- No Pile Up in START
- Good START VETO
- Good START META
- No VETO

Proton selection

- DCA-z<15mm
- DCA-xy<15mm
- Standard HADES TOF selection

Charged fragment (FW modules) selection

- Wall Ring: 0-4:
 - wallHitCharge > 80
 - wallHitBeta [0.84, 1]
- Wall Ring: 5-6:
 - wallHitCharge > 85
 - wallHitBeta [0.85, 1]
- Wall Ring: 0-4:
 - wallHitCharge > 88
 - wallHitBeta [0.8, 1]

Centrality is determined with selected TOF+RPC hits Details: see talk by B.Kardan "Centrality determination in HADES at SIS18: Glauber model approach"

Q-vector correlations (Mf, W): azimuthal non-uniformity corrections



Components are close. Cross-components are zero.

Q-vector correlations (Mb, W): azimuthal non-uniformity corrections



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Test of azimuthal non-uniformity corrections

 $\langle Q^a_n Q^b_n
angle = \langle X^a_n X^b_n
angle + \langle Y^a_n Y^b_n
angle$



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(Mb,W) correlations, MDC-vectors recentered only

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(Mb,W) correlations, MDC-vectors twisted+rescaled

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Resolution for $W...(Q_1Q_2)$

Reference: average of all resolutions on picture



Resolution estimates with rapidity separated (not neighbouring) subevents are consistent with each other

proton v_1 for $W...(Q_1Q_2)$

Reference: FW-RND sub extrapolation

y_{cm}(-0.25, -0.15), p_T(0,2)



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proton v₂

Reference: FW-RND sub extrapolation

