

Light-Heavy Collisions at RHIC: d+Au & He3+Au



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ridge: geometry + hydrodynamic evolution

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a closer look at pPb



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geometry in AA & pA

impact parameter + fluctuations





рΑ

AA

fluctuations

variation of the small nucleus



control the collision geometry by varying the small nucleus

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control the collision geometry by varying the small nucleus does v2 reflect the geometry of the initial state in p/d+A as in A+A?

two particle correlations in dAu



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centrality dependence





evidence for double ridges, but not a long range measurement

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rapidity separated correlations

Muon Piston Calorimeters

both d-going & Augoing directions $3 < |\eta| < 4$





Side View







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STAR: 1502.07652

long range d+Au v₂

- event plane
 reconstructed @ η = 3-4,
 v₂ of particles @ |η| <
 0.35
- true long range correlations
- v₂ slightly reduced from 2PC method, event plane method much less sensitive to any jet contributions



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article mass dependence



• event plane method

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- characteristic flow particle mass dependence
 - stronger radial flow at the LHC

heavy flavor?







ALICE Average D⁰, D⁺, D^{*+}

AMS: PLBN739251e (2014) -0.96<y_cms<0.04 18



variation of the small nucleus



systematic variation of small nucleus ongoing at RHIC!

what can be learned from these small systems?

theory calculations, b<2fm



He3+Au: first data!



strong v2; v3 ~ hydrodynamic expectations



smaller and cooler?



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pA collisions: how is the QGP formed, how does it thermalize, what is the initial energy density distribution?

dAu, pPb, AuAu & PbPb



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pre-equilibrium

Light-Heavy Ion Collisions: A window into pre-equilibrium QCD dynamics?



smaller systems, higher harmonics, lower energies: more sensitive to earliest times

Heavy Ion Programs at RHIC and LHC



the pA physics story is made possible by the simultaneous strong programs at both RHIC & the LHC

- wealth of low pT measurements at both RHIC and LHC
 - from surprises to systematic measurements
- on track to understand more about the very young QGP with pA systems at RHIC
- data & theoretical developments at the same time drive progress
- eA: pA lessons drive interest in eA collisions with the EIC!

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